Noah and God: God's Great Preservation (Salvation) of Life Genesis 08:01–14

1. Scene 1:

God remembered and moved on behalf of Noah and the animals

- a. God caused a wind to pass over the earth
- b. God stopped the subterranean waters
- c. God stopped the torrential rain
- d. God caused the waters to begin to recede
- e. God rested the ark upon the mountains of Ararat
- f. God gave Noah and his dear family sight of the mountain-tops

2. Scene 2:

Noah's great patience and faith

- a. Noah in faith waited patiently forty days
- 1) He opened the hatch
- 2) He sent forth a raven that remained outside and flew back and forth
- b. Noah in faith patiently waited seven more days
- 1) He sent forth a dove

- 1 But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters receded.
- 2 Now the springs of the deep and the floodgates of the heavens had been closed, and the rain had stopped falling from the sky.
- 3 The water receded steadily from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the water had gone down,
- 4 and on the seventeenth day of the seventh month the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.
- 5 The waters continued to recede until the tenth month, and on the first day of the tenth month the tops of the mountains became visible.
- 6 After forty days Noah opened a window he had made in the ark
- 7 and sent out a raven, and it kept flying back and forth until the water had dried up from the earth.
- 8 Then he sent out a dove to see if the water had receded from the surface of the ground.

- 2) The dove found no resting place and returned to Noah in the ark
- Noah tenderly reached out his hand and took the dove to himself into the ark
- c. Noah in faith patiently waited seven more days
- 1) He sent the dove again
- 2) The dove did not return until evening, returning with a fresh olive branch
- 3) Noah knew the waters had receded
- d. Noah in faith patiently waited seven more days: Sent the dove and it did not return
- e. Noah in faith patiently waited twenty-nine more days, until the first month of the year, day one
- 1) Removed the covering of the ark
- 2) Saw the ground was drying out
- f. Noah in faith patiently waited 57 more days, waited until the earth was completely dry (2nd month, day 27)

- 9 But the dove could find nowhere to perch because there was water over all the surface of the earth; so it returned to Noah in the ark.

 He reached out his hand and took the dove and brought it back to himself in the ark.
- 10 He waited seven more days and again sent out the dove from the ark.
- 11 When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf! Then Noah knew that the water had receded from the earth.
- 12 He waited seven more days and sent the dove out again, but this time it did not return to him.
- 13 By the first day of the first month of Noah's six hundred and first year, the water had dried up from the earth.

 Noah then removed the covering from the ark and saw that the surface of the ground was dry.
- 14 By the twenty-seventh day of the second month the earth was completely dry.