

## As it was in the DAYS of Noah, so it is NOW!

In the days of Noah, there was **ONE WAY** for man to be saved; a **%man of God+** had to be **%SENT+** (Romans 10:14) by God to the people. Noah was that **FIRST** man, declaring *the Word of God*, **%a PREACHER of righteousness+** (2 Peter 2:5).

Noah **WARNED MANKIND** that God **%saw that the wickedness of man was GREAT** in the earth, and that **EVERY IMAGINATION** of the **THOUGHTS** of his heart was only **EVIL CONTINUALLY+** (Genesis 6:5), **AND**, that God **%would DESTROY MAN** *whom He had created+* (Genesis 6:7).

Noah, who was *the first born* in his family (Genesis 5:28-29), preached for one hundred and twenty years (Genesis 6:3) while the Ark was being built (1 Peter 3:20). Except for the 7 souls that went into the ark with Noah, **NOT ONE SOUL REPENTED** of their sins, including Noah's younger brothers, sisters, and other family members (Genesis 5:30).

The same **%continuing evil+** is going on **TODAY**: **%as it WAS in the days of NOAH, so shall it be ALSO in the days of the Son of man+** (Luke 17:26). In these **%LAST DAYS+** spoken of by the apostle Paul in his letter to Timothy, the **FIRST SIGN** of *the Lord's coming* is *the worsening* of **MAN'S character**:

**%for MEN** [which means both "male" and "female"] **shall be LOVERS OF THEIR OWN SELVES** [fond of self; selfish], **COVETOUS** [fond of silver; money — 1 Tim. 6:10], **BOASTERS** [braggarts—"look at me"], **PROUD** [appearing above others; conspicuous], **BLASPHEMERS** [vulgar; foul-

mouthed-R-rated], **DISOBEDIENT TO PARENTS** [unpersuadable; obstinately resisting authority], **UNTHANKFUL** [unappreciative], **UNHOLY** [showing disrespect for sacred things],

**%WITHOUT NATURAL AFFECTION** [hard-hearted; pitiless; cold], **TRUCEBRAKERS** [truceless], **FALSE ACCUSERS** [to defame or slander others], **INCONTINENT** [without self-control], **FIERCE** [wild; savage], **DESPISERS OF THOSE THAT ARE GOOD** [hostile to morality], **TRAITORS** [surrendering others into the enemies hands],

**%HEADY** [headstrong and determined not to follow orders or advice], **HIGH-MINDED** [inflated with self-conceit], **LOVERS OF PLEASURES MORE THAN LOVERS OF GOD** [pleasures of the senses], **HAVING A FORM** [an appearance] **OF GODLINESS** [reverence], **BUT DENYING** [to contradict] **THE POWER THEREOF** [the power of the Holy Ghost to teach & guide]: *from such* **TURN AWAY+** (2 Tim. 3:1-5).

The actions people were **DOING** in Noah's and Lot's day is exactly what people are doing today, **INCLUDING homosexuality**:

**%a they did EAT, they DRANK, they MARRIED WIVES** [to wed of either sex], **they were GIVEN IN MARRIAGE** [to marry off a daughter]+ (Luke 17:27), **%a they BOUGHT, they SOLD, they PLANTED, they BUILT** (Luke 17:28) **until the THE DAY...**

A day that God has **%APPOINTED** [just as God did so before the **FLOOD**], **in the which He will JUDGE THE WORLD in righteousness by THAT MAN [Jesus Christ]** *whom He hath ordained+* (Acts 17:31). Therefore, God is **WARNING HUMANITY**, and commanding **%ALL MEN EVERY**

**WHERE TO REPENT** [to think differently; to feel compunction]+ (Acts 17:30).

### Compunction

A **pricking**; the pricking of conscience; to **sting**; a **sharp feeling** of uneasiness brought on by a sense of guilt; **twinge** of conscience; **remorse**; a feeling of **slight regret** for something done.

Have you ever felt **%compunction+** for something *you did* that was wrong? **THEY DID** on the day of Pentecost, when they were *persuaded* that **THEY THEMSELVES** **%have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain+** (Acts 2:23) their **Messiah!**

And, **%when they HEARD THIS, they were PRICKED IN THEIR HEART** [they felt compunction; remorse; godly sorrow — 2 Cor. 7:10]+ (Acts 2:37). Unless **YOU ALSO** feel this **%compunction+** because *you have been persuaded* of being a **SINNER**, you will **DIE** in your sins.

Our **%first parents+**, Adam and Eve, passed down this **%knowledge of good and evil+** (Genesis 2:9, 17) to all of us, so that **NOT ONE OF US** is without excuse of **not knowing right from wrong**.

We know that **WE %ALL HAVE SINNED+** (Romans 3:23; 5:12), and by **HEARING the Word of God**, and *acknowledging* our sinful condition, that we, that is, **%ALL THE WORLD may become GUILTY before God+** (Romans 3:19)...and **REPENT** in **%godly sorrow+** (2 Cor. 7:10). *Compunction, or* **DIE!**

