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Course: The Mysteries of God - The Beginnings

Discussion 9

A Warning and a Flood

(Washed clean in the Mercy of YHVH)

Primary Content (From 1 Sefer Moses, the Book of Beginnings):

- Chapter 10 The Warning
- Chapter 11 The Flood
- Chapter 12 Washed Clean

Additional Reading (Comparison Texts):

- Genesis 8 from the Inspired Version of the Bible
- Book of Rayaneck Chapter 3:22-37

Objectives:

• Compare and Contrast: Washed Clean in Waters of Mercy vs Drown in the Flood

Kabbalistic Concepts:

- Mercy
- A Pierced Heart
- A Light for the Journey

Notes Before Reading:

I have included the flood account that is recorded in the Book of Rayaneck as a comparison text. It doesn't line up verse for verse like the JST and the KJV do, but it covers the same time period, so there is plenty of overlap to consider and leverage as a way of thinking about the 1 Moses account more deeply.

Reading:

	Chapter 10 - The Warning				
1 Moses	Inspired Version / JST	KJV	Rayaneck	Discussion Ideas	
 And it came to pass that Methuselah prophesied that from his loins should spring all the kingdoms of the earth, yet he took this glory unto himself; And there came forth a great famine into the land, for YHVH cursed the earth with a sore curse, and many of the inhabitants thereof died. 					
3. And when the children of Elohim began to multiply on the face of the earth and daughters were born unto them, the sons of man saw that these daughters were fair; and they took them wives even as they chose.	8:2 And when these men began to multiply on the face of the earth and daughters were born unto them, the sons of men saw that their daughters were fair; and they took them wives even as they chose.	6:1. And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, 6:2. That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.			
 4. ¶ And it came to pass that YHVH said unto Methuselah: Thy daughter and the daughters of thy sons have sold themselves; 5. And behold, mine anger is kindled against the children of mankind, for they will not 	8:3 And the Lord said unto Noah , The daughters of thy sons have sold themselves; for behold, mine anger is kindled against the sons of men, for they will not hearken to my voice.				

hearken to my Voice.				
6. ¶ And it came to pass that Methuselah, and Lamech, and Noah went forth prophesying and taught the things of Elohim, even as it was in the beginning.	8:4 And it came to pass that Noah prophesied and taught the things of God, even as it was in the beginning.			
7. ¶ And YHVH said unto Noah: My Spirit shall not always strive with mankind, for these shall know that all flesh must die, 8. And I will give unto mankind my teshuvah, and in this they might ascend to the one hundred and twentieth degree; 9. And if mankind doth accept this teshuvah, I shall wash them clean in the waters of my mercy one degree at a time, but they shall be clean from the first degree; 10. But if these do not accept my teshuvah, I will send my waters as the floods upon them.	8:5 And the Lord said unto Noah, My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for he shall know that all flesh shall die, yet his days shall be a hundred and twenty years; and if men do not repent, I will send in the floods upon them.	6:3. And the Lord said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.		This passage, especially v9 outlines the relationship between mercy, teshuvah, waters, and clean-ness.
11. ¶ And in those days there were nephilim on the earth, and they sought Noah to take away his life; 12. But YHVH was with Noah, and the power of YHVH was	8:6 And in those days there were giants on the earth, and they sought Noah to take away his life; 8:7 But the Lord was with Noah, and the power of the	6:4. There were giants in the earth in those days;	Rayaneck 3 26. And mankind became dark and devious and they brought forth giants upon the earth whom they had made from the great tree within all mankind.	

upon him;

13. And YHVH ordained Noah Tzadik Yachad after his own order and commanded him that he should go forth and declare this gospel unto the children of men, even as it was given unto Enoch.

Lord was upon him; and the Lord ordained Noah after his own order and commanded him that he should go forth and declare his gospel unto the children of men, even as it was given unto Enoch.

- 27. Now these giants were brought forth with corrupt knowledge and they were taught that they were better than all of God's creations.
- 28. Wherefore all the creations of God became corrupt, devious and mutated.

- 14. ¶ And it came to pass that Methuselah and Lamech grew old, and thus Noah called unto the children of man preaching unto them teshuvah, but they hearkened not unto his words:
- 15. And also, after that they had heard him, they came up before him, saying: Behold, we are the sons of Elohim;
- 16. Look upon us and see, for have we not taken unto ourselves the daughters of men, marrying into this covenant?
- 17. Look upon us and see, are we not alive in the flesh: eating, and drinking, and marrying, and given in marriage, living upon the very Breath of the Creator?
- 18. And look, see that our wives bear unto us children; and the same are mighty men, which are like unto them of

8:8 And it came to pass that Noah called upon the children of men, that they should repent; but they hearkened not unto his words.

8:9 And also, after that they had heard him, they came up before him, saying, Behold, we are the sons of God. Have we not taken unto ourselves the daughters of men? And are we not eating, and drinking, and marrying, and given in marriage? And our wives bear unto us children; and the same are mighty men, which are like unto them of old, men of great renown. And they hearkened not unto the words of Noah.

(6:4 ...) and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown.

- 29. All except for Noah and his family.
- 30. But even the great Noah suffered because his daughters fell foul of the great evil and corrupt knowledge.
- 31. And they became lost unto God and to Noah.

It is interesting that both of these records (The Book of Rayneck and the plates of brass) independently introduce the idea that Noah had daughters who died in the flood.

old, men of great renown! 19. And they hearkened not unto the words of Noah, calling him the fool and using the vain things of this world to show as a signs one to another that he was a false prophet; 20. And those that had left the Covenant kept not their garments clean but wiped the filth of their hands upon them, even the very daughters of Noah saying: He is touched.				
 21. ¶ And Elohim saw that the wickedness of mankind, and that these had become great in the earth; 22. And every one of these was lifted up in the imagination of the thoughts of his heart, being only evil continually; 	8:10 And God saw that the wickedness of man had become great in the earth; and every man was lifted up in the imagination of the thoughts of his heart, being only evil continually.	6:5. And 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.		
23. And they turned the wisdom given them from the prophets which had been given unto them by the very angels of heaven, against one another and against the earth; 24. Yea, even to hurt the earth and her creatures; and she moaned in pain as these claimed dominion over all of them as their though it were their birthright.			Rayaneck 3 22. And so God seeing the plight of Adam and Eve sent before them and all mankind a group of the mightiest angels to teach and aid father Adam and mother Eve and instruct them and teach them how to use the knowledge that they had. 23. Now the angels taught men all they had knowledge	I think it is interesting that both of these accounts introduce the idea that the angels taught the prophets great things (scientifically) and that mankind misused this technology before the flood. This is interesting because in the Book of Enoch, it is the fallen angels who teach their human wives various skills that we consider witchcraft

		of, great science and astronomy, indeed the building of great cities and the crafting of fine musical instruments and they taught men how to brake the bonds of the air and even the bonds of the earth and they rose into a great people with great knowledge and technology. 24. And the angels sent by God taught them how to mix the blood of the great tree that is found within each of us. 25. Now as man progressed the wickedness of man used the knowledge they had been given for wicked intent and so the angels who had given them the knowledge in the name of God removed themselves from the presence of mankind.	today, which led to them being destroyed in the flood. The idea that some of the misused knowledge was originally gained through the righteous not the wicked.
25. ¶ And it came to pass that Noah continued his preaching unto the people, saying: Hear me and harken ye, giving heed unto my words: 26. Believe, and let go thy sins; ascend in teshuvah, and be washed clean in the name of Yachad Yachid Echad, the Messiah, even as our fathers did; and ye shall receive Ruach HaKodesh, that ye may have all things made manifest;	8:11 And it came to pass that Noah continued his preaching unto the people, saying, Hearken and give heed unto my words. Believe, and repent of your sins, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, even as our fathers did, and ye shall receive the Holy Ghost, that ye may have all things made manifest;		

27. And if ye shall do it not, the floods shall come in upon you! 28. Nevertheless, they hearkened not unto his words, but laughed one with another, making merry and making jest, strengthening their own resolve in their sins. 29. And Noah and his wife, Na'amah, were moved to pity, and their hearts were pierced, and they bowed before YHVH, asking for protection from those that sought their lives, and pouring out the grievings of their hearts.	8:12 And if you do not this, the floods will come in upon you; nevertheless, they hearkened not. 8:13 And it repented Noah, and his heart was pained that the Lord had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.	6:6. And it repented the Lord that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.		This is the first place where it talks about this idea of a pierced heart. This idea is a recurring theme in Mormon Kabbalah.
30. ¶ And it came to pass that YHVH came unto Noah and Na'amah saying unto them: I will blot out these humans whom I have created from off the face of the earth; 31. Yea, every human being, and every beast of the forests and of the fields, and all the creeping things, yea and even the fowls of the air; 32. For I am grieved at what these have become, and that thou hath called upon me for safety, for these have sought thy lives.	8:14 And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man, and beast, and the creeping things, and the fowls of the air, 8:15 For it repenteth Noah that I have created them and that I have made them; and he hath called upon me, for they have sought his life.	6:7. And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.	33. Now God saw the wickedness of men and what they had done with the great knowledge that he had given them. 34. Behold because they were God's creation he decided that he would destroy mankind and wipe them from off his creation. 35. Indeed off all his creations and to start anew with a pure great tree.	
33. ¶ And thus Noah and his	8:16 And thus Noah found	6:8. But Noah found grace in	36. And so he called forth	

family found grace in the eyes of YHVH; for Noah and Na'amah were just, being made perfect in in their generation;

34. And Methuselah and Adnah, and Lamech and Ashmuah, and Noah and Na'amah and their sons Shem, Ham, and Japheth and their wives walked with Elohim.

grace in the eyes of the Lord; for Noah was a just man and perfect in his generation; and he walked with God, and also his three sons, Shem, Ham,

and Japheth.

the eyes of the Lord.

6:9. These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

6:10. And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Noah and commanded him to build an Ark to save the purity of their great tree and preserve the blood line of our first parents.

37. And the blood line also of those animals that had not been polluted by the minds of men and so Noah did take two of every kind of pure animal into the Ark.

		Chapter 11 - The Flood		
1 Moses	Inspired Version / JST	KJV	Rayaneck	Discussion Ideas
 And it came to pass that Lame and Ashmuah, his wife, would n few moons after she too died. And it soon came to pass that went the way of the earth, she h grandchildren marry, and Methological Metholog	Adnah, the mother of Lamech, naving lived to see her uselah and Noah and the wife of mat same year that Methuselah ohim who knew YHVH, died in that flood upon them save it sons and the wives of their on that they not endure this oring upon the land, as He had			It's nice of the plates of brass to tell us that Methuselah and Lamech died the year of the flood, and that they didn't die in the flood. That's a thing I've always wondered because their timelines add up to that same year and it makes you wonder.
6. For behold, the earth was corrupt before Elohim; and it was filled with maliciousness.7. And Elohim looked upon the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted its way upon the land.	8:17 The earth was corrupt before God; and it was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted its way upon the earth.	6:11. The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. 6:12. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.	 3:26. And mankind became dark and devious and they brought forth giants upon the earth whom they had made from the great tree within all mankind. 3:27. Now these giants were brought forth with corrupt knowledge and they were taught that they were better than all of God's creations. 	

- 8. ¶ And it came to pass that Elohim said unto Noah and Na'amah: The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with wrong doing;
- 9. And behold, all living things will I bring to ruin that all living flesh from off the land.
- 10. And therefore I say unto thee: make thee an ark of wood; and **nests** shalt thou make in the ark,
- 11. And thou shalt cover these nests within and without as thou would a house, yet ye shall **seal** it up;
- 12. And the length of the ark thou shalt make three hundred cubits, the width of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.
- 13. And windows there shall be **none**, and though shall make a tsohar unto me that ye shall have light in the ark as though it were midday.
- 14. And thou shalt thou make to the ark, and one cubit from above shalt thou finish it; and in the side thereof thou shalt set an opening;
- 15. And within the ark a lower,

8:18 And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence; and behold, I will destroy all flesh from off the earth.

8:19 Make thee, therefore, an ark of gopher wood; **rooms** shalt thou make in the ark, and thou shalt pitch it within and without with pitch;

8:20 And the length of the ark thou shalt make three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

8:21 And windows shalt thou

make to the ark, and in a cubit

shalt thou finish it above; and

the door of the ark shalt thou

set in the side thereof; lower,

second, and third chambers

shalt thou make in it.

6:13. And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

6:14. Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.

6:15. And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

3:28. Wherefore all the creations of God became corrupt, devious and mutated.

3:29. All except for Noah and his family.

6:16. A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it.

In the "Revelation on the Urim and Thummim" received by David Ferriman on Jan 8, 2024 it says (in verse 3): "Noah and Na'amah were commanded to make an urim and thummim called the tzohar, and was passed down to Abraham; and I did teach Abram how to use it, for his fathers had forgotten how to use it in their apostasy."

second, and third chambers shalt thou make.		
16. ¶ And lo, I, even I AM, shall advance upon thee in a flood of water upon the land to destroy all flesh, wherein is the Breath of Life, from under heaven; everything that liveth on the earth shall die.	8:22 And behold, I, even I will bring in a flood of water upon the earth to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that liveth on the earth shall die.	6:17. And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die.
17. But with thee will I establish my covenant, even as I have sworn unto thy father, Enoch, that of thy posterity shall come all nations. 18. And thou shalt come into the ark, thou and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy wives of thy sons with thee.	8:23 But with thee will I establish my covenant, even as I have sworn unto thy father, Enoch, that of thy posterity shall come all nations. 8:24 And thou shalt come into the ark, thou and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.	6:18. But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.
19. ¶ And of all living thing of all flesh, two of every kind shalt thou bring into the ark to keep alive with thee; they shall be male and female.	8:25 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every kind shalt thou bring into the ark to keep alive with thee; they shall be male and female.	6:19. And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female.
20. Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind; two of every kind shalt thou take into the ark to keep alive.	8:26 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kindtwo of every kind shalt thou take into the ark to keep alive.	6:20. Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.
21. And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten; and thou shalt gather food of every kind unto thee in the ark, and it shall be for food for thee and	8:27 And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten; and thou shalt gather fruit of every kind unto thee in the ark, and it shall be for food for thee	6:21. And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them.

for the animals:	and for them.	
22. Of every beast that thou shalt take for food, thou shalt take to thee by sevens, each and its mate, and of beasts that are not to be eaten by two, each and its mate; 23. Of fowls also of the air, by sevens, each and its mate the same, both for food and to keep seed alive upon the face of the earth: 24. For it shall be that in seven days will I cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; 25. And I shall wipe clean from the face of the earth everything that thou hast done.	Notice, the verse numbering for these 3 verses is in a slightly different order. 8:30 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female, and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female; 8:31 Of fowls also of the air, by sevens, the male and his female, to keep seed alive upon the face of the earth. 8:32 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.	7:2. Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female. 7:3. Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth. 7:4. For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.
26. ¶ Thus did Noah and his family do, according to all that Elohim gave unto them.	8:28 Thus did Noah according to all that God commanded him.	6:22. Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.
27. ¶ And YHVH came again unto Noah and Na'amah in their six hundredth degree, saying: Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee only have I seen righteous before me in this generation. 28. And Noah and Na'amah and their sons and the wives of their sons did according to	8:29 And the Lord said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee only have I seen righteous before me in this generation. 8:33 And Noah did according to all that the Lord commanded him. And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was	7:1. And the Lord said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation (v 2-4 hoisted up) 7:5. And Noah did according unto all that the Lord commanded him. 7:6. And Noah was six

all that YHVH commanded them; 29. And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and the wives of his sons with them, into the ark expecting the waters of the flood;	upon the earth. 8:34 And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark because of the waters of the flood.	hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth. 7:7. And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.	
30. And with them they brought the beasts, and the fowls, and everything that creepeth upon the earth there went in into the ark, male and female, even as Elohim commanded them;	8:35 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that were not clean, and of fowls, and of everything that creepeth upon the earth there went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.	7:8. Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, 7:9. There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.	
31. And they went unto Noah and Na'amah into the ark, two and two of all flesh wherein is the breath of life; and YHVH shut them in.	Notice, the verse numbering for this verse is in a slightly different order on this side. 8:38 And they went unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh wherein is the breath of life; and they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him; and the Lord shut him in.	7:13. In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark; 7:14. They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every sort. 7:15. And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the breath of life.	

		7:16. And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the Lord shut him in.	
32. ¶ And it came to pass that after seven days the waters of the flood were upon the earth; 33. And all the fountains of the great abyss broke open, and the veil between the earth and the heavens was rent apart, and the waters were upon the lands forty days and forty nights.	8:36 And it came to pass after seven days that the waters of the flood were upon the earth. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, and the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened, and the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.	7:10. And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth. 7:11. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. 7:12. And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.	
34. And the children of man ass daughter of Noah and Na'amah, them, and these came unto Noa 35. And they called to Noah, say we may come in unto thee in th 36. And Noah, with a voice to be the rains, answered them, sayin against YHVH? 37. And hath thou not reveled in and see, are we not alive in the 38. Eating, and drinking, and maliving upon the very Breath of the	and their husbands came with the ark; ring: Open thy doors for us that the ark and that we shall not die! The heard over the thunders and the g: Have thou not all rebelled that the sins, saying: Look upon us flesh:		

39. And thus I say unto thee now that YHVH hath not brought upon you this evil, to destroy and cut you off from the face of the earth, but ye have brought it upon thyselves.		
40. Is not this the very thing that was prophesied unto thee from years back, that I and my father, and the father of my father sayeth unto thee?		
41. And thou would not hearken to the Voice of YHVH, and now doth thou desire to live upon this land?		
42. ¶ And these cried out unto Noah, saying: We are ready walk with thee in teshuvah unto YHVH; but open thy doors for us that we may live!		
43. And Noah answered them, saying: Behold now that thou seeth the trouble of thy souls thou seeketh teshuvah unto YHVH?		
44. And I ask thee, why did thou not seek teshuvah in the time of thy probation that YHVH Elohim did give unto thee?		
45. And now thou cometh unto me to preserve thy lives, now also YHVH shall not listen to thee, neither will give thee ear, and thou shall not be granted thy wish.		
46. ¶ And the children of man approached the ark to take unto them efforts to break in, for they could not bear the rain upon them;		
47. But YHVH had sealed up the ark in His mercy, and thus Noah and his wife, Na'amah, and their sons, and the wives of their sons, these were preserved unto Elohim in Yah.		

Chapter 12 - Washed Clean					
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 And it came to pass that the flood was forty days upon the land, and the waters increased and bare up the ark, and it was lifted up above the earth. And the waters prevailed and increased greatly in the land, and the ark went upon the face of the waters. 	8:39 And the flood was forty days upon the earth, and the waters increased and bare up the ark, and it was lifted up above the earth. 8:40 And the waters prevailed and increased greatly upon the earth, and the ark went upon the face of the waters.	7:17. And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth. 7:18. And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.			
 ¶ And the waters prevailed in abundance upon the land; and all the haughty hills under the whole heavens were covered; And Yah could reach down to the ark from the veil that had been rent between the heavens and the earth as the waters prevail. And the hillsides were covered, and the valleys were filled up all around about and there in, and all lustful things that moved upon the face of the earth ceased; Both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beasts, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, even all 	8:41 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the face of the earth; and all the high hills under the whole heavens were covered. Fifteen cubits and upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered. 8:42 And all flesh died that moved upon the face of the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beasts, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man.	7:19. And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered. 7:20. Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered. 7:21. And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:	38. And so it was that the Almighty God through his Son sent forth a great flood upon the earth and all the wicked and polluted were killed.	The wording from the plates of brass is starting to sound a bit allegorical rather than literal.	

mankind.				
7. All who had lived in that land that YHVH had breathed the breath of life but did reject that life, these they died in their wrath; 8. And every that lived that went against the natural order was destroyed which was upon the face of the land: 9. Both humans and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowls of the air; and they were destroyed from the earth; 10. And Noah and Na'aham and they that were with them in the ark were the remnant, all the rest being blotted out.	8:43 All in whose nostrils the Lord had breathed the breath of life, of all that were on the dry land, died. 8:44 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground: both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowls of the air; and they were destroyed from the earth; 8:45 And Noah only remained, and they that were with him in the ark.	7:22. All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died. 7:23. And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.	39. Human and animal kind and all was cleansed even the great earth and all the planets in the great heavens.	The idea from Rayaneck that the flood cleansed all of the planets in the heavens is amazing to me. That idea is undeniably allegorical, not literal.
11. ¶ And the waters prevailed on the earth one hundred and fifty degrees; 12. And Elohim was mindful Noah and Na'amah and all that were with them in the ark; 13. And Elohim kept the oath that had been made between YHVH and Adam upon the earth, and the waters began to subside.	8:46 And the waters prevailed on the earth one hundred and fifty days. 8:47 And God remembered Noah and all that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters assuaged. 8:48 The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained; and the waters	7:24. And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days. 8:1. And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that was with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters assuaged; 8:2. The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was		

14. The fountains also of the great abyss were closed up, and the veil between the heavens and the earth was again sealed, and the downpouring from heaven was withheld; 15. And the waters returned from off the lands and were abated, for in the mercy of Yah and of Elohim all had been made clean.	returned from off the earth.	restrained; 8:3. And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated.	
16. ¶ And it came to pass that the ark rested in the new creation, and in Yah; YHVH nourished her there upon the mountains of Ararat. 17. And the waters decreased until Yah, in the unity of Elohim, awoke the hilltops with life once again.	8:49 And after the end of the hundred and fifty days, the waters were abated. And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountain of Ararat. 8:50 And the waters decreased until the tenth month; and in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.	8:4. And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat. 8:5. And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.	This idea of a new Creation after the flood is very reminiscent of becoming a new creature after being baptized. What could it possibly mean for Yah to awaken the hiltops with life?
18. ¶ And it came to pass, at the end of forty days, that Noah and Na'amah prayed unto YHVH to unseal the door of the ark which Ye had made, and it was done even as they asked; 19. And Na'amah sent forth a raven as the ambassador to seek and return, which went	8:51 And it came to pass, at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made, and he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro until the waters were dried up from off the earth.	8:6. And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made: 8:7. And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.	This idea that the Raven was an ambassador, sharing wisdom, doesn't seem like it is intended to be literal, what could it possibly be talking about? Its also interesting that it is Na'amah who sends the birds out to see if there is land yet.

forth to and fro sharing his wisdom until the waters were dried up from off the earth.		
20. And then she also sent forth a dove from Noah to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground; 21. But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and thus she returned unto them into the ark, for the waters had not fully receded from off the face of all the land; 22. And Noah put forth his hand, and took her, and so too let her come and go as she pleased to and fro about the ark.	8:52 He also sent forth a dove from him to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground; but the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters had not receded from off the face of the whole earth; then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.	8:8. Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground; 8:9. But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.
23. And they stayed about the ark yet other seven days, and again they sent forth the dove out of the ark; 24. And the dove came unto him in the evening, and lo, in her mouth an olive leaf plucked off; 25. And thus did Noah and Na'amah know that the waters had abated from off of the earth. 26. And they stayed yet other seven days; and upon the	8:53 And he stayed yet other seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; and the dove came in to him in the evening, and lo, in her mouth an olive leaf plucked off; so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. 8:54 And he stayed yet other seven days and sent forth a dove, which returned not again unto him any more.	8:10. And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; 8:11. And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. 8:12. And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

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Engage the Concepts through Comparison

These chapters use water to accomplish a few things that are very different from each other. The water washes the creation clean, it also destroys the wicked unrepentant. Allegorically, it quenches the lustful passions within. Consider the different things the water does, and compare and contrast them to reach deeper understanding of Water. Chapter 10:7-10 pulls all of those ideas together into a few short verses you could consider, but really all three of these chapters are full of these contrasting ideas about water.

Engage the Spirit through Contemplation

There's a lot of hints in here that the literal narrative of the events of the flood are not what the author is hoping we will focus on. In the Rayaneck account, the flood on the earth cleanses all of the other planets too. In the account on the plates of brass, the lustful desires of the flesh are destroyed in the flood, and that the raven was out as an ambassador spreading wisdom. These ideas are beyond a mere flood destroying everything on the earth other than Noah and his sons and their wives. I invite you to ponder upon these chapters with a prayer in your heart as you consider what deeper meaning is woven into these chapters.

Engage the Group through Discussion

When you meet together as a group to discuss the content of these chapters, here are some ideas to help get the discussion going:

• The account from Rayaneck makes it sound a lot like a DNA corruption problem that needed to be washed away, what are your thoughts on that?