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**Series: “Do Not Be Surprised”**

**“A Time of Purging”**

**We will refer to the world’s “first ever” lockdown/quarantine as we look at Gen. 6-7 and the story of Noah and the Ark**

**Gen. 6:5-7**

**Gen. 6:8**

**Question:** How did Noah find favor with God???

**Gen. 3:9**

**Gen. 6:11-14a**

God was going to wipe humankind

**How would God do this???**

**Gen. 6:17**

With a flood

**God gave instructions to Noah about how to build the Ark** – **“Noah did all that God commanded him”**

**God told Noah to bring his wife, 3 sons, and their daughters into the Ark** – **“Noah did all that God commanded him”**

**God told Noah to gather 2 of each of the animals (male and female**) and bring them on the Ark – “**Noah did all that God commanded him”**

**God told Noah to enter the Ark to escape the floodwaters that were to come** – **“Noah did all that God commanded him”**

**Then God did His part**

**The fountains of the great deep burst forth and the windows of the heavens were opened for 40 days and 40 nigh**ts

**Noah, his wife, his 3 sons and their wives, and all the animals were in the Ark for about 1 year**

**Transition: Perhaps our world has once again gotten to the place that it needs another purging**

-though God covenanted with Noah that He would never again destroy the earth with water, He has reserved for Himself the ability to destroy the earth with fire

\*the destruction of the world by fire will coincide with the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, something Jesus promised to His disciples

**2 Peter 3:1-4**

**Those that don’t believe are deliberately overlooking certain things**

**2 Peter 3:5-8**

What are they overlooking??

1. **The Creation** of the heavens and earth by the spoken word of God - **Past**
2. **The Destruction** of the world by the flood - **Past**
3. **Second Coming of Jesus** - **Future**
4. **The Final Destruction of** the world by fire on the **Day of Judgement** - **Future**

**Why have these things been overlooked??**

**Because of our limited way of viewing time!!!**

**2 Peter 3:8-9**

**But “The Day of the Lord”, that is, the Day of Jesus’ return is coming**

**2 Peter 3:10**

**What does this mean for us today???**

**3:11**

-we are to live holy and godly lives

**What do we do in the meantime???**

**3:12-13**

-we are to wait for His promise to be fulfilled

\*for the new heavens and earth