

Two Antidilluvians

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Hello! This is Dorothy -

I trust today that your heart is open and you are ready for the Lord to speak to you just as if there was not another person on planet earth. You are loved and God is saying to you right now, "Please, please do listen to My voice. Receive the Word as from My very heart for your situation."

In **Genesis**, Noah and Enoch were the only two antidilluvians. What a big word that one is! We are not asking you to spell it! *Antidilluvians* simply means *those who were before the flood*. Now everybody knows about the flood, so that means they were two before the flood and they share the same testimony of walking with God. So that is rather simple, isn't it? That is something that we can take in and comprehend because these men are known for walking with God.

If you listened yesterday, we know that Enoch was translated, that is, caught up, that he should not see death. Really, he is the type of person those of us who know the Lord can relate in anticipating such a happening any day. "Oh," you say, "are we going to have a flood?" No, we are not going to have a flood. God promised He would not send a flood the second time to this world to destroy it because

of the sin of the people and their violence, but He did say He is going to pour out His wrath upon man.

Now there may be a terrible happening perhaps going on currently in your community to people you know in your country. No, it is something more than this: this is not the wrath of man upon man; this is God's wrath upon man! When God sends this, there will be people who literally will hide themselves in caves and say, "Fall on us!" because of the mighty hand of God in what He is then doing on this earth. They will be so angry with God. Therefore, we have to understand that we who know the Lord have already met the judgment in Christ Jesus and we will not be in that Great Tribulation. You say, "What do you mean?" You see, Jesus Christ was judged for me as a believer; He took that judgment; He took the penalty of God's wrath in my place upon the Cross. He took in His sinless body that terrible price. So, He has been judged. Therefore, it is not that second judgment. I don't take this lightly, but I am privileged to say, "Jesus died for me and took my judgment. Therefore my life is His, whatever that means." No, I will not go through that judgment of His pouring out of His wrath on planet earth. There is so much to follow up in that. I would just love the time, but if you have a chance to read some of those Scriptures, you read them in **1 Thessalonians 4:14-17**; and **Daniel 12:1**; and **Matthew 24:21**.

But let us talk about that other man. That was Enoch. What about Noah? Noah was preserved through the flood. “Aha!” you say, “what happened to him? He was not taken up before the flood?” No.

He went through the Flood. As has been pointed by many Biblical scholars, he is a type of God’s people, the Jews, who He raised to be His testimony and life. Yet, they fell from all that they should have been. It is as if for a time He put them aside though never ceasing to love them, and allowed the Gentiles, those who were not Jews, to have a chance to come to Jesus. But when we are caught up to be with the Lord Jesus — which could happen any time. I do not know when: only God knows — we know that those Jews who will come to know their Messiah, the Lord, will be preserved through the Tribulation.

There is a very special passage in **Jeremiah 30:5-9** about this, if you would care to look at those verses. But I want you to understand, it is not that every Jew will be preserved, but those who turn to the Lord. There will be much bloodshed, much destruction; it is not a happy day to anticipate for this old world.

That is why, for some of us, we feel that it is important that every day we are available that we might share the Lord Jesus with others, that we might talk to them about the Lord. “But,” you say, “they are not interested to know.” When you share Scripture, the Word of God will never die. What you say and what you think will

come and go, but the Word of God will never die; it will go on working in that life. So when you talk to people, remember, it is the Scripture that does the work. Therefore, they cannot get away from it. They think they put it away, but God brings by His Spirit that Scripture to their remembrance.

So, here are these two men. They walked with God. Their endings were different: one was caught up in his fellowship with the Lord; the other proved the Lord in the midst of the flood. You know that God had Noah to prepare an ark, a place of covering, a place of protection, a place that speaks of the ark of the covenant, the place where the blood was brought. In other words, a place. Although this old world was destroyed by so hideous and terrible a catastrophe of people and animals being wiped out, God preserved those who were in that ark, because of the blood.

Will you trust Jesus today?

In His precious Name. Amen.