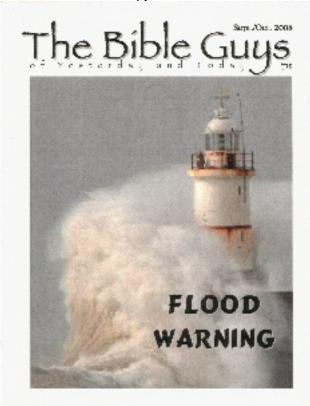
## Flood Warning By Joel McNabb



**Breaking news bulletin:** There is a severe storm coming!!!!! Flood warnings are in effect for all who believe in Jesus Christ. As it is written in Gen. 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 everything that is in the earth shall die."

As we look at the headlines, the nightly news, the fuel prices, the financial crisis, wars in the world, and other events, there should be an alarm going off to those of us who have received salvation in our lives. We who have breathed in new life from the born again experience, as Adam did when God breathed the breath of life into him and he became a living soul.

Looking at everything that is going on in the world today, I hear the words of Jesus, "But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." He was revealing how the world was going to be when He returns. Jesus wants us to be prepared, with our eyes open, watching for the flood of our day. In Noah's day, life went on just as usual: they ate, drank, married wives, and they were given in marriage until the day Noah entered into the ark. The flood came and destroyed them all.

Most of Christianity today is going on as usual. With their five-year, ten-year or more plans for the future, the urgency of the return of Jesus is put on the back burner. With our building programs, sports activities, and other projects, we are caught up with the cares of this world. The parable in Matthew 25 tells us that the Kingdom of heaven would be like ten virgins, and while the bridegroom tarried, they all fell asleep. As the time passed, they went about their everyday life, not realizing that the bridegroom was really going to come. When the alarm went out, they finally awoke out of their day-to-day routines to the knowledge that they were not ready for the wedding. The wise barely had enough oil in their lamps to get in, and the foolish had to go and buy from someone who had oil to sell. Even with finding oil, it was too late, and the door was shut.

A warning was sent from God to Noah, and he took action. By faith, he built an ark for the saving of his house. An alarm went off, and Noah believed the warning. He obeyed the word of God and saved not only his own life, but the lives of his family as well. He is called a preacher of righteousness in the New Testament. He was not just out there building a boat for a vacation or to take a cruise. He was warning his family and friends and anyone who would listen. As we read the rest of the story of Noah, the people who heard him preaching did not take the warning, and the door was shut. Everyone that had the breath of life died that did not get in the ark.

Are you alive in Christ Jesus today? Do you breathe the breath of the Holy Spirit in your spiritual nostrils today? Do you believe the words of Jesus? There is a flood coming in this last day and if we are not prepared, the door will be shut.

The serpent (devil) is about open the flood gates (persecution) on those who have the spiritual breath of life, to destroy Christianity from off the face of this earth. Will we hear the warning of Noah and search our souls to see if we will be in the ark, or will we be on the outside looking in? The Bridegroom is coming and we need to get our lamps out to see if they will burn or not. Is there oil enough to light our pathways to see the trouble that is upon every Christian today? "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." "So shall they fear the name of the Lord from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him" (Isa. 59:19).

Take heed today, dear saints of God, and get your hearts prepared for the deluge that is upon us. There is yet time to search the Scriptures as the wise virgins, so that we do not wind up as the foolish virgins, for whom it was too late. "Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in

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the day of the Lord's anger." Let us humble ourselves before God and pray we may be hid. We are in the days of Noah, and the flood is upon us. I pray you all will find grace in the eyes of the Lord, and that He grant you understanding. The Lord bless and keep you is my prayer.