

SESSION 22

1 Read and consider the following bible passages: 2 PETER 2 & 3

- What are some similarities and differences in living the faith and preaching the Gospel between the prediluvian culture, the culture that Peter lived in, and our culture today?
- ✤ What was the mark of Noah's being a "herald of righteousness" (2 Peter 2:5)?
- ✤ Is Peter writing to condemn the unbelieving world or to warn Christians?
- What are some things that you would want to make sure to do if you knew that Jesus was going to "come like a thief" (2 Peter 3:10) in the next week?
- Our tolerant culture that doesn't want to make any moral judgments has swayed many Christians to minimize the biblical truth of God's judgment. Most appeal to "love" and assume that in love God doesn't really care what we do or how we live—so long as we don't hurt anyone else in the process. Some deny the reality of hell. Others believe that God will ultimately save everyone. But all of these assumptions ignore one very obvious thing. According to Peter, what is it?

Read Genesis 6:1-9

5 What makes Noah blameless in his generation?

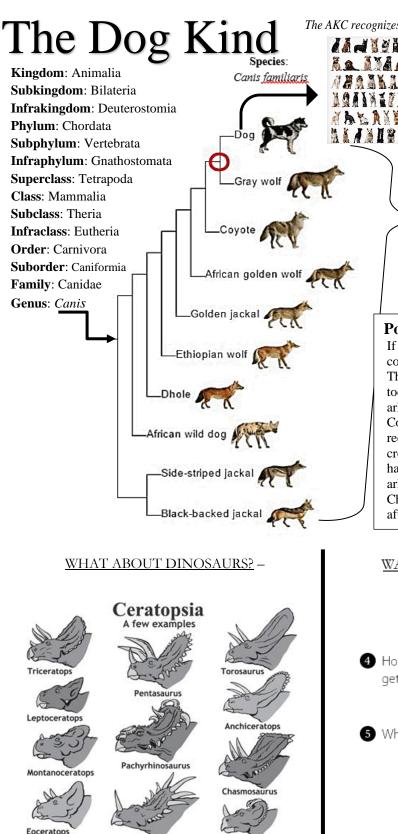
HEBREWS 11:7

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

Read Genesis 6:10-22

3 Many scoff at the idea that Noah could have built a boat large enough to house all the animals. How big was the ark and how many animals could it have housed?

WHAT WAS THE ARK'S SIZE? -



Styracosaurus

Centrosaurus

The AKC recognizes 195 breeds, with 79 additional breeds working toward full recognition.

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All the dog species in the Genus *canis* are able to interbreed and reproduce viable offspring. However, it seldom happens in nature. Coyotes, wolves, dingoes and domestic dogs have been known to occasionally interbreed in the wild, but some species like the African Wild Dog would never breed with other related species because their mating habits and behaviors are very unique.

Ponder this:

If Genus is synonymous with the Genesis concept of "Kind," then consider how much animal diversity might have been lost during The Flood? Because if all the variation we see in the Genus *canis* today is representative from the two dogs that Noah took onto the ark, then how much more diverse was this Kind before the flood? Could this explain why we see so much diversity in the fossil record? How sad it is to think about how much of God's good creation was lost in The Flood. It would be like if the flood happened today and we could only take two dogs with us on the ark. What if the only dogs we could get our hands on were both Chihuahuas? Would you ever be able to get Great Danes again after the flood?

WAS THE ARK SEA WORTHY? -

4 How does Genesis 6:19-20 indicate the way in which Noah will get all the animals <u>gathered together</u> and into the ark?

5 What is significant about the last sentence of chapter 6?