

PARSHAT NOACH
Genesis, Ch. 6, v 9 - Ch. 11, v 32

I.

Why was Noach regarded as a tzadik?

- What does the root of the word tzadik imply about Noach as a person?
- What does the Noach story suggest should be the role of a tzadik today?

II.

What are the seven (7) Noachide Laws?

- Can you list them?
- Would you consider these laws as basic rules for all of humanity?

HaShem allowed humans to eat animals, for the first time, after the flood.

- What are your thoughts about this?
- How does this relate to the Noachide Laws?

III.

The three sons of Noach are representative or symbolic of different types of people.

- What do we learn from each of these characters about the diversity of human kind?
- From whom are the Jewish people descended?

IV.

In what way is the story of the Tower of Babel illustrative of HaShem's changing expectations of humans and the eventual relationship that humans can have with HaShem?

V.

Is there a possible parallel between the story of The Flood and the human response to HaShem's warnings and our current concerns about and responses to the issue of climate change?