

HIStory

A record of God's continuous Love and Provision

(Reflections from the sermon on January 3, 2016)

"For God loved the world so much..." **John 3:16**

The story begins with chaos, has a time of bliss, chaos rules once again when, finally, restoration and peace is revealed in the final chapter.

This is the movement of most stories told in literature, movies and theater. Sometimes the end of the story is often left to the reader or observer. We are able to write our own happy ending for the characters and establish a "happily ever-after" conclusion. But realistically, life is not that easy.

The story of life is created by our Father in Heaven. He has authored all the characters, established the set (props), written the guidelines for the characters, but He has left the detailed script up to us – free choice.

1. What things in life has God established as unchangeable?

The story of Noah is a story of redemption – Genesis 6:5-9

2. What troubled the Lord?
3. What was His reaction to His sorry and regret?
4. Why was Noah spared?

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5. What were the requirements for "righteousness" in Noah's time?

The Promise of God – Genesis 9:8-17

6. What was The Lord's promise or covenant to Noah?
7. What is the sign of the covenant promised by God to Noah, his sons for

The place of Jesus in this story – 1 Peter 3:18-22

8. Why did Jesus come into the world (**Luke 19:10**)?
9. What place does water have in the life of a believer today? How is that different or similar to the story of the flood?