

# A Deliberate Disappointment

## 1. Sin survived

Gen. 9:18 ¶ The sons of Noah who went forth from the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Ham was **the father of Canaan**.)

Gen. 9:19 These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the people of the whole earth were **dispersed**.

### dispersed

- Matt 12:43-45; Rev 20:1-8 (dont put your hope in a fresh start)

- 2 Cor 5:16-17 (Every beginning but one will betray you)

## 2. Sin still thrives

Gen. 9:20 ¶ **Noah** began to be a man of the soil, and he planted a vineyard.

Gen. 9:21 He drank of the wine and became **drunk** and lay uncovered in his tent.

### drunk

- 2 Sam 12:1-9; Matt 16:13-23 (Dont put your hope in a fallible hero)

- Jn 2:1-11 (every leader but one will let you down)

## 3. Sinners collide

Gen. 9:22 And Ham, **the father of Canaan**, saw the nakedness of his father and told his two brothers outside.

Gen. 9:23 Then Shem (israel) and Japheth (gentiles) took a garment, laid it on both their shoulders, and walked backward and **covered (piel)** the nakedness of their father. Their faces were turned backward, and they did not see their father's nakedness.

Gen. 9:24 When Noah awoke from his wine and knew what his youngest son had done to him,

Gen. 9:25 he said,

**“Cursed (be) Canaan;**

a servant of servants shall he be to his brothers.”

Gen. 9:26 ¶ He also said,

“Blessed be the Lord, the **God of Shem;**

and let **Canaan** be his servant.

Gen. 9:27

May God enlarge Japheth, and let him dwell in the tents of Shem, and let **Canaan** be his servant.”

**covered (piel)**

- Gen 3:7, 21 (a godly trait)

- 1 Cor 13:6 (the delight of Ham is opposite)

**Canaan cursed**

Lev 18:1-25 (Ham a picture of Canaan)

**God of Shem**

2 Kings 17:19-20; (Dont put your hope in a fallen community)

- mk 3:31-35; jn 7:5; mk 10:29-30; Lk 14:26

(every family but one will frustrate you)

## 4. Noah died

Gen. 9:28 ¶ After the flood Noah lived 350 years.

Gen. 9:29 All the days of Noah were 950 years, and he **died**.

**died**

- Jn 8:51-58 (Dont put your hope in a fleeting life)

(every life but one will end)

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### **intro:**

we often think the bible as a book of morality lessons  
its not - it is a book of failure and true fulfillment - video

### **Problem:**

1 cor 10:6-14 (idolatry - the things we think we stand in)  
our idols are shown repeatedly to fail  
the bible is deliberate about disappointing us for a profoundly positive reason...that we might see Christ

Genesis 9:18-29 shows us that after the flood, after the ark, after the rainbow

### **Main Idea:**

sin survived  
sin still thrived  
sinners still collide  
Noah still died

### **Implication:**

Every beginning but one will betray you  
every leader but one will let you down  
every family but one will frustrate you  
every life but one will end

### **Application:**

1 Pet 1:3-5 we were born again to a living hope - what does this mean?

1 Pet 1:13 set your hope fully on grace...

1 Pet 1:14 not on your former ignorance...and futile ways (1:18)

don't put your hope in a fresh start  
don't put your hope in a fallible hero  
don't put your hope in a fallen community  
don't put your hope in a fleeting life

**The Bible is full of deliberate disappointments until...**

**God raised and glorified Christ - so our hope would be IN Him (1:21)**

### **Articles for further study:**

<http://www.desiringgod.org/messages/god-is-most-glorified-in-us-when-we-are-most-satisfied-in-him>

<http://www.desiringgod.org/messages/the-power-of-hope>