1 1 Peter Lesson 16 The Spirits In Prison

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2 1 Peter Lesson 16 Chapter 3:18-22

18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: 19 By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; 20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. 21 The like figure whereunto *even* baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: 22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him. 1 Peter 3:18-22

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Verse 18:

For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, (2:21, Heb 9:26)

the just for the unjust, (2:24)

that he might bring us to God, (Eph 2:18)

being put to death in the flesh,

but quickened by the Spirit: (1 Pe 4:1)

What about us today?

• Colossians 1:22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:

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Verse 19:

By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;

- Genesis 6:4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare *children* to them, the same *became* mighty men which *were* of old, men of renown.
- 2 Peter 2:4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; 5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth *person*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;
- Jude 6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

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6 1 Peter Lesson 16 Chapter 3:18-22

Verse 20:

Which sometime were disobedient, (Gen 6:2)

when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, (Gen 6:3 120 years)

while the ark was a preparing, (Gen 6:14-22)

wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. (Gen 6:8, 7:1 *Noah, his wife, Sons Shem, Ham, Japheth, and three daughters-in-law*)

7 1 Peter Lesson 16 Chapter 3:18-22

Verse 21:

The like figure (1 Co 4:6, Ga 4:24 *allegory*) whereunto *even* baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: (1 Co 15:1-4)

8 1 Peter Lesson 16 Chapter 3:18-22

Verse 22:

Who is gone into heaven, (Mk 16:19, Ac 1:11, Heb 9:24) and is on the right hand of God; (Ac 7:55) angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him. (1 Co 15:24)

• 1 Corinthians 15:24 Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.