

- iii) The animals are to reproduce and spread out over the earth.
 - iii. Noah's covenant (8:20-9:17)
 - a. Noah builds an altar to the Lord.
 - 1) 8:20
 - 2) He offers sacrifices to the Lord using the clean animals.
 - 3) This sacrifice was to express his gratitude to the Lord for sparing and protecting him and his family in the flood and to ask God to show favor to them and give grace and blessing to them in the days to come.
 - 4) The ~~sacrifice~~^{sacrifice} smelled the aroma from the sacrifice and it pleased him greatly (the Lord saw what that aroma represented. It represented an attitude of heart on the part of Noah and his family and that is what pleased the Lord) so much so that he made a statement.
 - i) He said he will never again curse the ground because of man even though man has a sinful nature and even though from childhood his thoughts and desires are inclined to evil.
 - ii) He said he will never again destroy every living being like he did.
 - iii) He said as long as the earth stands there will always be seed time and harvest, heat and cold, summer and winter, day and night.
 - a) Why did he say this?
 - b) Because those things are necessary for the continuance of the human race.
 - b. The Lord blesses Noah and gives him a command:
 - 1) They are to be fruitful, multiply and populate the earth.
 - 2) This is what he told Adam and Eve to do.
 - c. The Lord tells the relationship of Noah to the animals
 - 1) The animals are going to fear and dread man.
 - 2) This means that the Lord is giving man dominion over the animals:
 - i) How is man to control the animals?
 - ii) He is going to do it through the fear they have of man.
 - iii) Once you have the curse, man rules the animals through the fear they have of him.
 - 3) All four classes of animals are mentioned:
 - i) The fish of the sea
 - ii) The fowl of the air
 - iii) The animals that have four legs