

**Sermon Notes**

**Providence Community Church**

6-23-19 Ken Carlton

**Title: PILLARS OF THE EARTH**

**Main Text:** Genesis 8:20-9:7

**Aim:** TO ISOLATE BASIC PRINCIPLES NECESSARY TO HONOR GOD IN HIS WORLD.

**Sermon Description:** Today's message expands on concepts introduced last week. We noted that a silver lining of judgement is the beauty of God's law shining forth as the veil of obfuscating sin is forcibly removed from culture. In the great flood, the world has been stripped down to its constituent elements by the judgements of God serving to illustrate the irreducible complexity of the created order. This order encompasses the human experience, the natural realm, and just society in a post-fall world. Consequently the repopulation of the world does not commence with multicultural pluralism, wherein different nations proceed under different gods, ethical theories, world-views, and philosophies... no, there remains one God and one unified extended family under Him led by the Lord's servant divinely appointed for the calling: Noah, whose very first act in this new world is a public worship ceremony wherein he acknowledges the grace of God and His governance over the entire world. Noah has just witnessed a trans-national act of judgement by the mighty hand of the creator of the world... surely the last thing on his mind is a vision to go forth and pioneer a neutral society where the sacred and secular coexist indifferent to each other under the standard of a humanistic ideal.

**Heading: THE ORDER FOR GOD'S WORLD FEATURED UPON NOAH'S OCCUPATION ...**

**1. WORSHIP OF THE TRUE GOD** (Gen 8:20-22)

- a. Public profession
- b. Atonement for sin
- c. The covenantal Word

**2. NATURAL ORDER** (8:16-19, 22)

- a. Worldview implications
- b. ...For science
- c. ...For society

**3. CIVIL GOVERNMENT DIVINELY INSTITUTED** (9:5-6)

- a. Special revelation
- b. Ministry of justice
- c. Image of God

**4. THE CULTURAL MANDATE** (9:1,7)

- a. Blessing of fruitfulness
- b. commandment
- c. context

**FAMILY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:
Psalms celebrate	True worship	Natural order	Civil government	Cultural mandate	Next week
Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:
Ps 75, 104	Gen 8:20-22	8:16-19, 22	Gen 9:5-6	Gen 9:1-7	Gen 9:8-17