

# Salvation in the Ark

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## Introduction:

- A. 1Peter 3:20-21
- B. Types and antitypes, or shadows and the substance that casts the shadow
  1. Types is derived from the Greek noun τύπος (typos), "a blow, hitting, stamp," thus the figure or impression made on a coin by such action; that is, an image, figure, or statue of a man; also an original pattern, model, or mold. To this is prefixed the Greek preposition αντί anti, meaning opposite, corresponding. The Old Testament is the type or foreshadowing of the events of the New Testament, in particular how the events of the Old Testament related to the events of Christ's life. The events are shaped by God to provide types foreshadowing Christ. The apostle Paul states the doctrine of typology in Colossians 2:16-17. In typology, the whole purpose of the Old Testament is the provision of types for Christ, the antitype or fulfillment. (Wikipedia)
  2. The type or shadow is the impression on the paper or the indentation in the coin, left by the stamp or press. The antitype is the solid original that makes the impression.
  3. How can Christ, Who came after the Old Testament, be that which made the impression or shadow? Christ was before the Old Testament, and He is God the Son, Who is not bound by the constraints of time in this world.
  4. The vague pictures in the OT resemble the solid reality in the NT.
  5. Heb. 9:24, 10:1; Col. 2:16-17

## I. THE BUILDER

- A. Noah was the righteous builder of the ark - Gen. 6:9-14; 2Peter 2:5
- B. Jesus is the righteous builder of the church - Matt. 16:18; 1Peter 2:21-24
- C. There is only one ark and only one authorized to build it, and there is only one church and only One authorized to build it - Col. 1:18; Eph. 4:4

## II. THE MATERIALS

- A. Noah used exactly what God commanded - Gen. 6:14-15
- B. Jesus used exactly what God commanded - 1Peter 2:5; 1Cor. 12:12-13

## III. THE LIGHT

- A. The ark had only one window as a source of light - Gen. 6:16
- B. The church has only one source of light - John 8:12; 1John 1:7
  1. Psalm 119:105, 130; John 3:19; Acts 26:23, 13:47

## IV. THE DOOR

- A. The ark had only one door controlled by God - Gen. 6:16, 7:16
- B. The church has one door administered by God - John 10:7, 9, 14:6
- C. Only the righteous entered the ark - Gen. 7:1
- D. Only humble, obedient believers enter the church
  1. Matt. 18:3; Phil. 2:8; Matt. 7:21; 1Peter 5:6

## **V. THE FAMILY**

- A. The saved in the ark were the one family of Noah - Gen. 7:7
- B. The saved today in the church are the one family of God - Eph. 3:14-15

## **VI. THE SALVATION INSIDE**

- A. Salvation was found only in the ark - 1Peter 3:20
- B. Salvation is found only in the church
  - 1. Eph. 5:23, 2:15-16; 1Peter 3:21; Acts 2:47; 2Tim. 2:10

## **VII. THE DEATH OUTSIDE**

- A. Those outside of the ark were lost - Gen. 7:21-23
- B. Those found outside of the church are lost
  - 1. 2Thes. 1:7-9; Rev. 14:11, 22:15-16

### Conclusion:

- A. As Noah preached righteousness for 120 years while the ark was being built, and those who wanted to be saved from the flood could heed Noah and become righteous, so it is that the gospel is being preached while this world stands so that the lost may be saved and enter the church and be spared from the flood of destruction that will end this world in the Judgment.
- B. 2Peter 3:3-12