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Genesis 6:11-15

Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence.¹² God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. ¹³ So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. ¹⁴ So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out. ¹⁵ This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be three hundred cubits long, fifty cubits wide and thirty cubits high.

or about 135 metres long, 23 metres wide and 14 metres high



Genesis 7:1-5

The LORD then said to Noah, “Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because I have found you righteous in this generation. ² Take with you seven pairs of every kind of clean animal, a male and its mate, and one pair of every kind of unclean animal, a male and its mate, ³ and also seven pairs of every kind of bird, male and female, to keep their various kinds alive throughout the earth. ⁴ Seven days from now I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and I will wipe from the face of the earth every living creature I have made.”

⁵ And Noah did all that the LORD commanded him.

Genesis 7:11, 12 & 18-20

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month—on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. ¹² And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights.

¹⁸ The waters rose and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water. ¹⁹ They rose greatly on the earth, and all the high mountains under the entire heavens were covered. ²⁰ The waters rose and covered the mountains to a depth of more than fifteen cubits.

Genesis 8:1-4

But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters receded. ² Now the springs of the deep and the floodgates of the heavens had been closed, and the rain had stopped falling from the sky. ³ The water receded steadily from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the water had gone down, ⁴ and on the seventeenth day of the seventh month the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.



Genesis 8:13-17

By the first day of the first month of Noah's six hundred and first year, the water had dried up from the earth. Noah then removed the covering from the ark and saw that the surface of the ground was dry. ¹⁴ By the twenty-seventh day of the second month the earth was completely dry.

¹⁵ Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶ "Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives. ¹⁷ Bring out every kind of living creature that is with you—the birds, the animals, and all the creatures that move along the ground—so they can multiply on the earth and be fruitful and increase in number on it."

Genesis 8:20-21

Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and, taking some of all the clean animals and clean birds, he sacrificed burnt offerings on it.

²¹ The LORD smelled the pleasing aroma and said in his heart: “Never again will I curse the ground because of humans, even though every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done.”

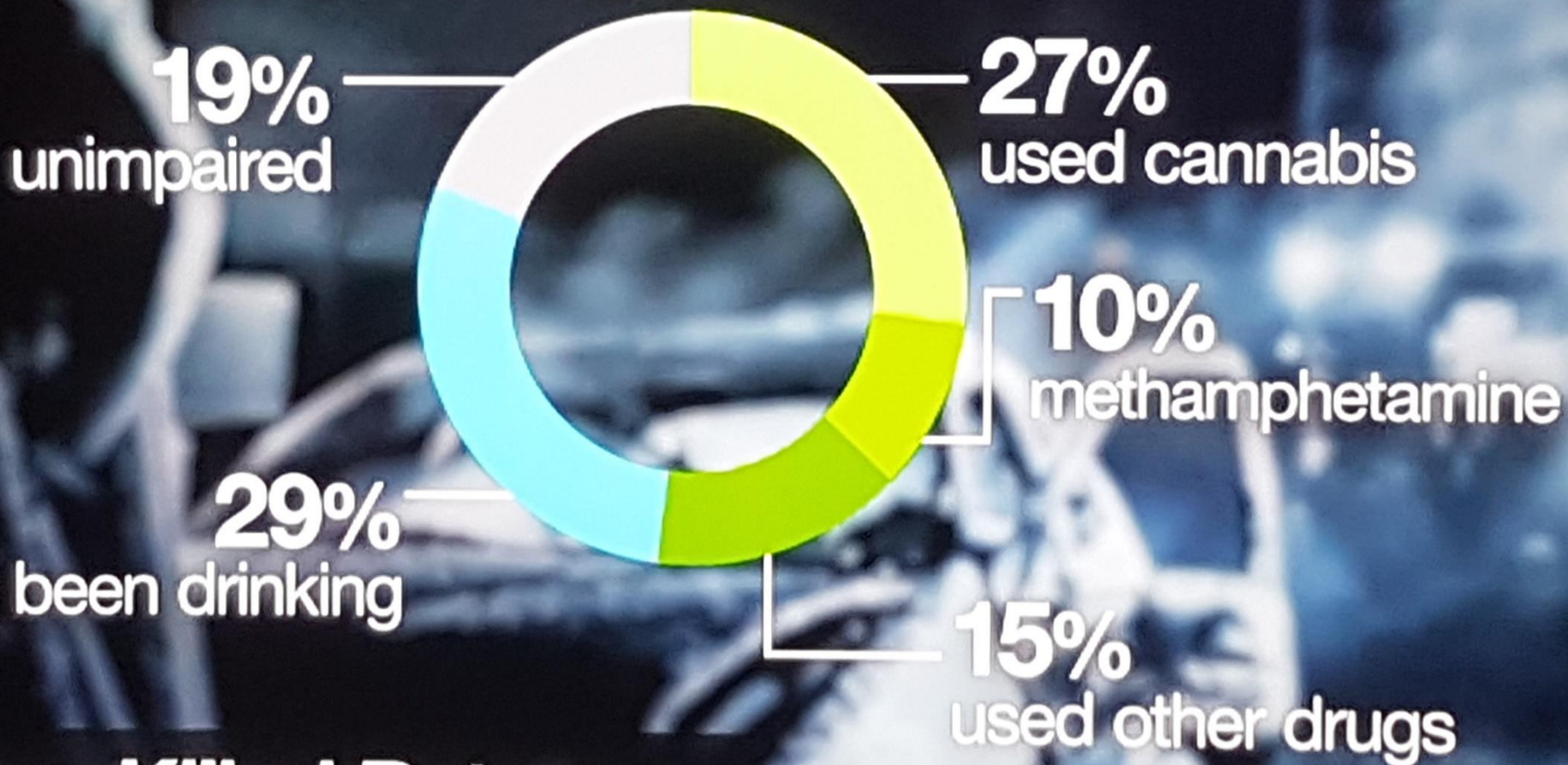
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Death & Dying we don't like it



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It's right for God to slaughter women and children any time he pleases. God gives life and he takes life. Everybody who dies, dies because God wills it. So God is taking life everyday he will take 50,000 lives today. Life is in Gods hand. God decides when your last heart beat will be and whether it ends thru cancer whether it ends through a bullet wound God governs. So God is God. God rules and governs everything and everything he does is just and right and good. God owes us nothing. If I were to drop dead right now God would have done me no wrong. He does no wrong when he takes our life at age two weeks or at age 92. God is not beholden to us at all our lives are in his hands. Now you add to that that we are all sinners and deserve to die yesterday and go to hell the fact that we are even breathing today is shear grace from God. The Old Testament and the New presents God as the one who has total rights over my life and over my death. The Lord gave and the Lord takes away blessed be the name of the Lord. How he takes away is his call he never wrongs anyone.

There are times in history where God gives political authority to his designated people as in the case of Israel for them to be Gods instrument of judgment to take the lives of those who God tells them to.

The church today is not Israel and therefore the word we have from the Lord today is love your enemy and pray for those who abuse you. Lay your life down for your enemy. Don't kill in order to spread the gospel die in order to spread the gospel.

Here in 'Christian' NZ it's easy to miss this - but every month, somewhere in the world, 345 Christians are killed for faith-related reasons; 105 Churches and Christian buildings are burned or attacked; and 219 Christians are detained without trial, arrested, sentenced and/or imprisoned.

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A Fresh Start



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Jesus Christ has taken God's Judgment in Full

John 3:16,18 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life... ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned ,but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed

John 5:24 "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.

1Peter 2:24 "Jesus himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness...

2Corinthians 5:21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

A Future Judgment Day

2Peter 2:4,5,9 For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to hell, putting them in chains of darkness to be held for judgment; ⁵ if he did not spare the ancient world when he brought the flood on its ungodly people, but protected Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and seven others;... ⁹ if this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials and to hold the unrighteous for punishment on the day of judgment.

Matt.24:36-39 “But about that day or hour no one knows, ...³⁷ As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; ³⁹ and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

Hebrews 11:6-7 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

⁷ By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

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