



Grace Assembly Of God

Chapter-By-Chapter Bible Reading Devotional

Scripture:	Genesis 9	Title:	"Cover not Uncover"
Author:	Ps John Lin		
Summary of Chapter:	This passage focuses on God's covenant with Noah after the flood as well as Noah's sons reaction to their father being drunk and naked.		
Key Verses (NLT):		How does it speak to me?	
<p>²² Ham, the father of Canaan, saw that his father was naked and went outside and told his brothers. ²³ Then Shem and Japheth took a robe, held it over their shoulders, and backed into the tent to cover their father. As they did this, they looked the other way so they would not see him naked.</p> <p>²⁴ When Noah woke up from his stupor, he learned what Ham, his youngest son, had done. ²⁵ Then he cursed Canaan, the son of Ham:</p> <p>"May Canaan be cursed! May he be the lowest of servants to his relatives."</p>		<p>It is so easy to respond to other people's issue by uncovering and spreading it to others. How can I be one that loves others as I love myself. To cover and protect them from shame. Much like the circuit breaker we're going through now, we've probably seen in the news people being exposed or reported for breaking safe-distancing rules. In some cases, the person exposing a particular offender and continually scolds and shouts at them. Instead of gloating over or exposing someone else's issue. Why don't we cover their mistakes with love. Extend grace towards them. Help protect them against anymore shame. Let's be a people that would provide cover to others than uncover their issues.</p>	
APPLICATION QUESTIONS:			
Adult:	Are you able to forgive and cover the mistakes of others? Are you spending your time focusing more on the mistakes that others have made rather than covering them in love and prayer? Is there someone that you need to specifically forgive?		
Youth:	Have you been guilty of being quick to expose other people's mistakes and shame? What are some ways that you can "cover" others whom you find difficult love?		
Child:	Was there someone in your class that shamed you in-front of others? How did you feel?		
P R A Y E R :			
Praying Scripture:	Dear heavenly Father, thank you for your love and grace. Thank you for Jesus dying on the Cross and covering all my sin and shame with His blood. Help me to love like you would love, to cover other's mistakes and not shame them. Help me to love others as myself.		
Thanksgiving Prayer:	I/We thank you for _____ (e.g. delicious food they ate, places they went, prayer that is answered, etc)		
Intercessory Prayer:	I/We want to pray for _____ (e.g. healing of sickness, family members, work or study, leaders, nation, etc)		
Salvation Prayer:	I/We pray for the salvation of my/our unsaved loved ones _____ (can add one name per day). In Jesus Name I pray. Amen.		