RaYBaSH's Torah Thoughts for Kids

Parashah Noach #2

Gen. 6:9-8:14

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Have you noticed that there are many different ways to clean things? For example, if your ball lands in a mud puddle you can just rinse it off under the water hose and it's all clean, right?

Did you know that sometimes something is so dirty that water can't even clean it!? It's true, I use to work at a factory that painted metal parts, and sometimes the paints didn't dry right and it looked messy. But you just couldn't take the part and wash the paint off. It just wouldn't work. So you know what we had to do? We had to put that part in an oven that burned the paint off!

That is just like our world. Once it got so dirty because of sin, and G-d had to give the whole world a bath with a flood.

Genesis 6:11-14 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth. Make thee an ark...

Someday G-d will decide to clean the world again, but this time it will be so dirty that water won't clean it this time. So He'll use fire!

II Kefa (II Peter) 3:9-14 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. (KJV)

We get dirty too, not just on the outside, but on the inside when we sin, when we do things the Torah tells us not to do. So how do we get clean?

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Hebrews 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

Hebrews 9:24-26 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, [which are] the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others; For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Yeshua the Messiah's blood takes our sins away and makes us clean when we ask G-d to forgive us. He promised He would if we are truly sorry for what we have done.
1John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
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