

Unit 8

Noah in Sistine Chapel Ceiling Paintings

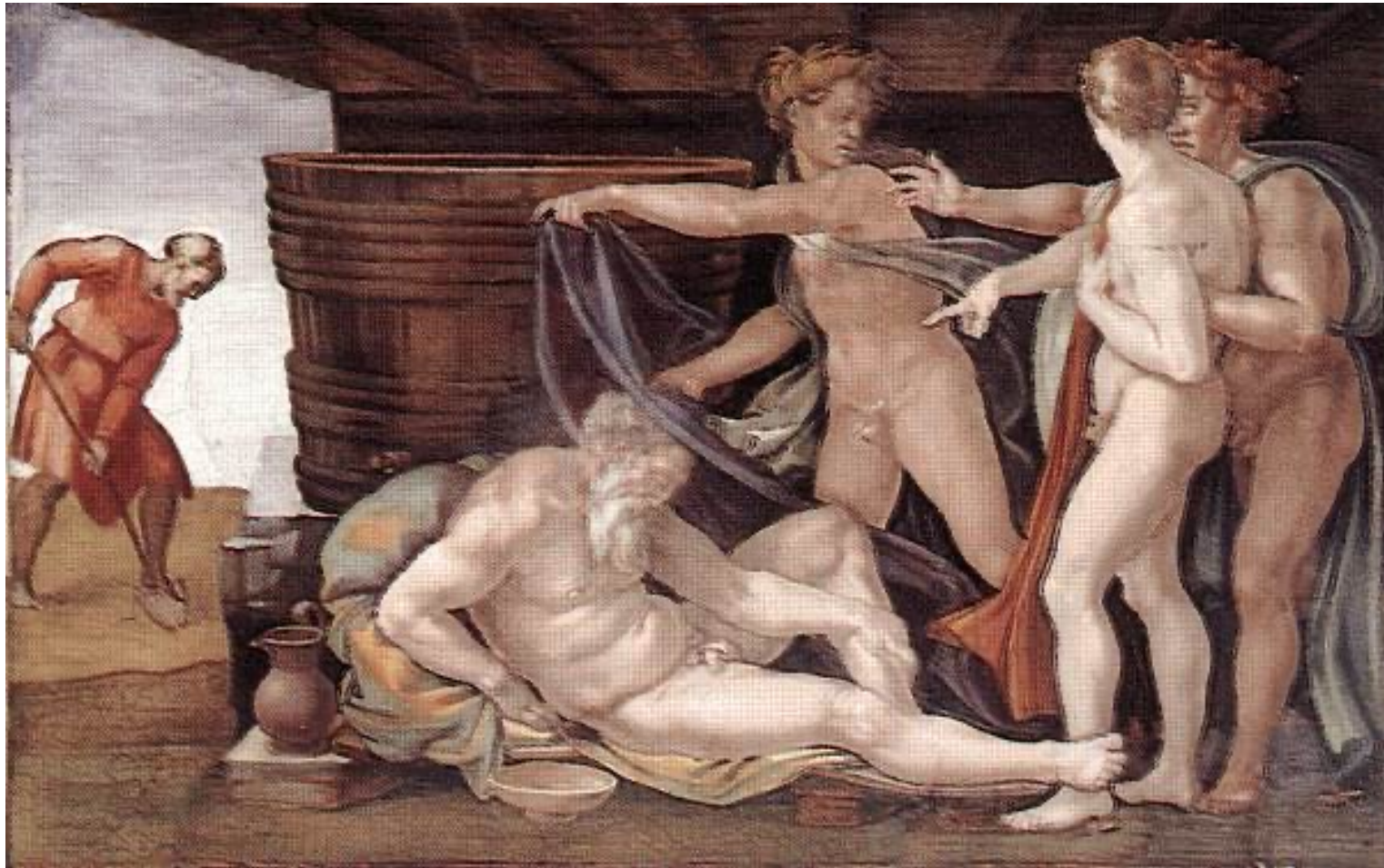
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Genesis 7

17 For forty days the flood kept coming on the earth, and as the waters increased they lifted the ark high above the earth. **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.^{[a][b]} **21** Every living thing that moved on land perished—birds, livestock, wild animals, all the creatures that swarm over the earth, and all mankind. **22** Everything on dry land that had the breath of life in its nostrils died. **23** Every living thing on the face of the earth was wiped out; people and animals and the creatures that move along the ground and the birds were wiped from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those with him in the ark.



9. Drunkenness of Noah

- “Noah also began to be an husbandman and planted a vineyard, and he drank of the wine and was drunken, and was uncovered in the midst of his tent.”
- Genesis 9 : 20-21

Curse of Ham

- Why did Noah curse Ham (to be exact, Ham's son Canaan)? Did Ham sinned against Noah?
- Is drunkenness a sin?

Why the curse?

- KJV Habakkuk 2:15
- Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!
- perverted act

- Patriarch— most venerable of a group
- Mocking Noah is mocking God.

Why Canaan bore the curse?

- **Assertion**
- *KJV Genesis 9:1*
- And **God blessed Noah and his sons**, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.
- *KJV Numbers 22:12*
- ¹² And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: **for they are blessed**.

- Genesis 10

²⁴ When Noah awoke from his wine and found out what his youngest son had done to him, ²⁵ he said,

“Cursed be Canaan!

The lowest of slaves

will he be to his brothers.”

Canaan

- Canaan (the fourth son of Ham)
 - Canaan (the land west of the Jordan River, Syria-Palestine) → Promised Land
 - Canaanite (1. descendants of Canaan → 2. the general name given to the non-Israelite inhabitants of the land)
 - The Canaanites were originally organized into city states. Each city was an independent monarchy headed by a king (see Joshua 10:3)
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