

Q. Who was this just man ?

A. He was called Noah.

Q. What did the Lord do then to punish the wickedness of the world ?

A. He resolved to destroy all mankind, with the exception of Noah and his family.

Q. How was this accomplished ?

A. The Lord commanded Noah to build an Ark, according to the directions which he gave him. Noah was a hundred years in building the Ark, and during all that time he warned men of the purpose for which it was designed ; but they would not believe him. When the Ark was completed Noah shut himself in it, with his family, consisting of eight persons, and a pair of every species of animal. Then the flood-gates of heaven were opened, and the rain fell for forty days on the earth, and the waters covered the tops of the highest mountains, so that every living thing was destroyed, except those which were in the Ark.

Q. Where did the Ark rest ?

A. The Ark rested on Mount Ararat, in Armenia, when Noah and his family, with all the animals, went out, the earth being again dry ; they had been nearly a year shut up in the Ark.

Q. Of what is the Ark a figure ?

A. The Ark is a figure of the Church, out of which none can be saved.