

Genesis 6:1-22; Hebrews 11:7
Noah's Obedient Faith

Introduction:

Noah illustrates for us a working faith. Faith believes God's solemn threatening's. CH Spurgeon quote... Noah condemned the world by his faith; "Whatever is not of faith is sin" Rom. 14:23. Faith is the antithesis of sin.

I. Noah Responded to God's Word – Heb. 11:6,7

A. Beware of the devil's confusing faith and works.

1. Works justifies – (legalism)
2. Faith with the absence of works – (License)

B. Noah's favor based upon election – Rom. 9:11

1. Building the Ark which took over a century – Gen. 5:32; cf.7:6;
2. Building the Ark with reverence – "respect and awe for the Lord"
3. Building the Ark required faithfulness – Matt. 25:20,21
4. Building the Ark symbolized atonement of Christ – Gen. 6:14; Rom. 3:25; 5:9

C. The Ark's measurements: (438 ft. Long, 73 ft. High, 44 ft. Wide)

D. The Wooden Ark portrays the Cross of Christ – (David Murray, "Jesus on Every Page" I Pet. 2:24

1. Our Salvation in Christ
2. God's Covenant and promise to us that He will save us and our household – I Peter 3:18-22; Acts 16:14; 16:31,33; Acts 18:8; I Cor. 1:14

II. Noah Rebuked the World

A. A preacher of righteous – II Pet. 2:5

1. It's more difficult to preach to depraved people than engineering the Ark.
2. The emotion of God's anger grieved that He made man – Gen. 6:6
3. Imprecatory Psalms – Psalm 83:13,14; Psalm 18; Psalm 109

B. Our role as Christians in the midst of an evil world

1. Lead men to the Light of Christ, without it men remain in darkness - Matt. 5:14-15
2. Glorify God by our works – Matt. 5:16; Phil. 2:12,13

Conclusion:

1. *Noah's day foreshadows the Second Coming of Christ – Matt. 25:36-42*
2. *Noah's day is a warning that the patience of God's door will soon be shut – Mat. 25:10*

