

## ***The Family of the Righteous Noah Part 1***

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(Genesis 6:9 KJV)

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Noah was a just man. The Hebrew Word for ‘just’, is ‘*Tsaddiyq*’, and means ‘just’, ‘lawful’, and ‘righteous’. God found Noah righteous in His sight. God told Noah and his house to enter the ark before He will send the flood to the earth because He found him righteous ***“1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.”*** (Genesis 7:1 KJV) How Noah became righteous and how his family became righteous? **How I and you today can become righteous and how we can bring our families and they become righteous before God? Righteousness will come through the blood of Jesus who was shed on the cross for our sins to give us eternal life, but we need to do our part in following Christ and in doing what His Word dictates on us to do.**

***1. Noah did not do what the other people around him were doing:*** Let us read Genesis 6, ***“1 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, 2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. 3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. 4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown. 5 And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. 7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. 8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD. 9 These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God. 10 And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. 11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. 13 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. 14 Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. 15 And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. 16 A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it. 17 And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die. 18 But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. 19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to***

***keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female. 20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive. 21 And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them. 22 Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.”*** (Genesis 6:1-22 KJV)

***“2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.”*** (Genesis 6:2 KJV) Here the sons of God are not angels but they are the children of men. **The people were marrying what they like and what they chose. They were using their eyes to chose, not using their minds, and not allowing the will of God for them to whom they have to marry. Sure it included with that what God would be disgusted with from multiple marriages, divorce, and remarriage, live-in relationship without marriage, and extramarital affairs, the same of what is going on now.**

Therefore God said, ***“3 My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh.”*** (Genesis 6:3 KJV) God was instructing man but man was going and doing not God’s will but was doing his own will and living in the pleasure of sin that is why the Holy Spirit of God was in strife with the man because of his non-willingness to follow God.

***“4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown.”*** (Genesis 6:4 KJV) There were also giant people, who were boasting with their own strength and power. They were relying on their own strength and on their own power to manage life. They were also people of renown who love to show themselves and love to be famous and to be known. Because of that, God saw the people were wicked and the imaginations of their hearts were evil, ***“5 And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.”*** (Genesis 6:5 KJV)

***“11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.”*** (Genesis 6:11-12 KJV) There was corruption, people were after material things, cheating, extorting, and there was violence due to the corruption all over the world. Their ways were corrupted and contradicting the ways of God. **\* All that we read here at the time of Noah is present in our days; corruption is everywhere, the love of money, the boasting, the showing off all are prevalent, but inspite of all that God wants us to be separated from the world. \* God wants us to be like Noah separating ourselves from the world. Let us do as Noah did, let us walk with God, let us not allow the Spirit of God to strive with us and be grieved, let us be perfect in separating ourselves from the ways of the world, so we can walk into the ways of God, and we will be finding grace in His sight.**

Jesus mentioned the generation of Noah when He spoke about His coming judgment and the judgment of God at His second coming. His judgment would be based on the same wrong things that people were doing at the time of Noah, ***“37 But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, 39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.”*** (Matthew 24:37-39 KJV) What Jesus condemned here

was the style of people's life. In studying their style we will be able to find out what we need to avoid to live a righteous life that God desires to see us live:

**A. Eating and drinking:** People were focusing on eating and drinking. So you may ask, 'We will not eat and drink?' Not that we will not eat and drink, but they were giving the full pledge to their appetite and stomach to enjoy the food and drink. They were drinking alcoholic drinks and losing control over their minds and spending much on food. \* In the same way, today, drinking alcohol, eating expensive food, eating in restaurants and ordering readymade food, arranging parties and banqueting, trips, vacations, etc., are all evidence of wild living. \* All these things and behavior are against the principles of the stewardship of God's Word. God wants us to eat well but we should not waste and we should not honor our appetite and give it the privilege all the time. \* Wasting will lead to losses of resources and later on to poverty, and poverty will lead to corruption and violence, and crimes. Therefore, we need to be aware of how to manage our lives, and how to separate our ways from the ways of the world.

**B. Marrying and giving in marriage:** The ungodly attitude toward marriage; the phenomena of dating, courting, boyfriend and girlfriend, love marriage, to marry what they like, unlawful marriages in marrying non believer, live-in relationship, and the rest that we discussed before as multiple marriages, divorce and remarriage are all invitations to bring God's wrath on man. Jesus mentioned the multiple marriages at the time of Noah, as we read here: *"27 They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all."* (Luke 17:27 KJV) Jesus mentioned that *"they married wives"*, which means men were not satisfied marrying one wife; but they had given themselves the freedom for their lust to marry more than one wife, or they were leaving one woman and uniting with the other. It might be also leaving children born from one lady and went to another woman.

Noah was five hundred years old when God commissioned him to build the ark, *"32 And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth."* (Genesis 5:32 KJV) At the time that Noah finished building the ark he was six hundred years, *"And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth."* (Genesis 7:6 KJV) From the time that God called Noah till he finished building the ark, it was around one hundred years. Noah did not live and practice all the evil things that the people around him were doing. That is why at the end of his assignment God commended him for his righteousness and the righteous way he lived and the way he nurtured his family, his wife, his three children, and their families. God was watching Noah how he was conducting his ways with the people around him and how he was separating himself from evil, wickedness, and corruption, *"1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation."* (Genesis 7:1 KJV)

During the event of COVID 19, reflect on the judgment that God sent on the people who lived their lives without discipline before COVID 19 in the ways of eating, drinking, bad stewardships, attending restaurants, arranging banquets, parties, without the discipline to the commands of God in pertaining to marriage and holiness by not adhering to keep boys and girls clean and separated from each other to avoid immoralities, also the liberal use of media and internet and allowing children to communicate with such dangerous things for their lives; because of all that evil that man did, God brought His judgment on the disobedient through COVID 19.

The guidelines that Jesus showed in *Matthew 24* and *Luke 17* about on what God based His judgment on the people at the time of Noah were in pertain to eating and drinking and in pertain to copulation. Animals eat what they like, most of them don't have stewardship and they don't know how to keep for tomorrow. As well as most of the animals are not bound with one partner, but they keep changing, as well as animals practice courting. Now if the man behaves without discretion like the animals then what is the difference between man and animals? Animals have no eternal life, but man has. Now if the man behaves like animals in pertain to food and marriage then death will be the outcome of his life and he will end up in hell. Animals don't have eternal life. Animals worship God but they are not accountable to Him as man does, because the man was given a brain. So when man degrades himself before God and behaves as animals do then he will perish as the animals' fate!

We had explained adequately about food, and now we will be explaining more about marriage. When we condemn boyfriend and girlfriend practices, then the question is how the people will marry? When we read, *"2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair."* (Genesis 6:2 KJV) So here they depended on their eyes to choose what they are going to marry. But in the ways of God, we depend on what God will choose for us to marry. Therefore, we need to put our attention on what God will speak to us and marry what He is choosing for us. A man or a woman who is prepared for marriage should pay attention to what God would speak and go and marry what God had prepared to him or to her of a partner.

**II. Noah did what the Lord had asked him to do:** *"7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."* (Hebrews 11:7 KJV) Noah did the followings:

**A. Noah took the warning of God seriously:** Noah believed what God said to him, even he believed God on things that not yet seen. Like Abraham, he believed and considered to him as righteousness. He fulfilled what the Scripture says that the righteous live by faith, *"17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith."* (Romans 1:17 KJV) Noah believed that God would bring His judgment on the whole earth, and that is why he moved with faith and believed what God had said. \* We need to take the warning of God seriously. For God when He warns He will do and execute. What the Word of God tells us from warning we need to take it seriously. What the Holy Spirit speaks to us we need to take it seriously. \* Are you taking the Holy Spirit warning seriously? Are you obeying His instructions? You need to understand that the world keeps changing but God and God's Word are not. Therefore obey God's Word and the voice of the Holy Spirit because God will do what He says.

**B. Noah moved with fear:** Noah had the fear of God in his heart, and that fear of God motivated him and made him move forward to put into reality what God instructed him to do. The fear of God that was instilled in his heart moved him to obey and to achieve every detail that God wanted him to achieve. \* We need to move with the fear of God and do what God wants us to do. Noah did not waste time, but he moved with God's fear to do what he needed to accomplish. \* When God speaks to you don't delay or postponed, God has a timetable and you need to go along with Him.

**My Dear and Beloved:** Let us take heed from the message of today about the family of Noah and how they obeyed God and separated themselves from the worldly things and the worldly people around them. Let us avoid corruption, injustice and violence. Let us take heed from the example of Noah and how he managed his family well and separated them from the world that was around them. Let us be good steward to what God had given us and let us wisely spend on our daily needs and necessities. Let us live a life that pleases God. Let us abstain from drinking alcohol, let us stop wasting our money on parties, eating in restaurants, eating expensive food and on banquets. Let us avoid the immoral practices of dating courting, boyfriend and girlfriend, premarital sex, fornication, live in relationship without marriage, divorce and remarriage, multiple marriages, or a single parent marry not the father nor the mother of her or his child or children.

We become righteous by the blood of Jesus. Therefore let us commit ourselves to continue to live in holiness and to fulfill God's will and purpose. Let us endeavor to live in uprightness and perfection to be ready at the second coming of Christ. Let us work with God to build up His church, leading our families our children in the fear of Him teaching them His Word and to continue in doing such until Christ will come to take us to Heaven. **Let us pray ....**

**My Prayer:** *Father God, I come before you in the name of Jesus, who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord, thank you for your Word that gave me the warning of the dangers of sin and showed me the good example of the righteous Noah and how he separated his family from the world. Lord thank you for my family and for my spouse and children. Lord thank you for all the reminders and the warnings I received in this message for my own good.*

*Come now to God and confess your sins. Confess and renounce your involvement in corruption, injustice, violence, drinking alcohol, and wasting more money on expensive food, parties, banquets, and eating in restaurants. Confess and renounce your involvement on immoralities as we discussed in this message, your lack of fear of God and your non willingness to serve God, doing His works and suffer for Him. Confess and renounce your bad stewardship, your bad example and your lack of reading of God's Word and prayer. Confess and renounce your worldliness, your love for the world, your yoke and wasting time with non believers and friends, and in bondage with the Media, News and games. Lord forgive me, I repent of the following sins \_\_\_\_\_.*

*Lord I commit myself to the principles that I learned from the message, to live in holiness and to separate myself and my family from the corrupted world that is around us. Lord I commit myself to do your will and your good plan that you have for me and my family so that to be ready at you second coming.*

*Lord thank you for my Brothers and Sisters who repented of their sins, and committed themselves to follow the teaching of your Word and follow the good example of Noah and his family that we learned from this message. Lord provide for them and sustain them to be good examples for others to follow.*

*Lord, bless us as your church as we commit ourselves to continue to teach our members and workers your Word and to implement them in their lives and the lives of their families. Lord aid us to overcome all the struggles that we are facing. Lord we ask you to refill us with the*

*Holy Spirit and give us the spiritual gifts that we need to go on and evangelize, and make new disciples and train new workers to go and plant new Bible studies and congregations for the church. Lord fulfill the vision of the church, 'Multiplication in peace with implementing the whole will of God.' Lord bless us, enlarge our territory, let your hand be with us and free us from harm so that we will not feel pain. May the grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all in Jesus name, Amen.*

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