

The Family of the Righteous Noah Part 2

***“9 Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.”
(Genesis 6:9 KJV)***

“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)

We studied in the previous message the following:

I. Noah did not do what the other people around him were doing:

II. Noah did what the Lord had asked him to do and as the following:

A. Noah took the warning of God seriously:

B. Noah moved with fear:

We will continue in this message,

C. Noah prepared an ark: Noah followed the instructions and the designs of the Lord clearly. ***“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.” (Genesis 6:13-16 KJV)*** God gave him various details about how he will build the ark. Noah observed carefully all those details. He did exactly what God had told him to do, ***“22 Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.” (Genesis 6:22 KJV)*** ***In the same way, you need to follow all the details of the design that God had given you in your life and in the life of your family to follow.***

D. Noah prepared an ark to the saving of his house: Noah preached the Gospel first to his family and instructed them with God's Word. He recognized the importance of his family members and how important they were for him in the ministry and in serving the Lord. ***For the importance of the family, we need to have daily family worship where we pray and praise God, where we read God's Word and meditate on, and agree to do with God the very things that He requires of us.***

**** In the daily family worship, we need to kneel down and ask God petitions for all our needs and put in His hands all our troubles and hardships. * Parents should work it out to meet daily and worship the Lord with their children. * The children should be trained on that so that when they will be grown up they will do the same in their families.***

Noah when God called him the Scripture mentioned that he had three children, Shem, Ham, and Japheth; he surely prepared them and equipped them to build the ark with him. Noah entered the ark with his wife, with his three sons, and with their wives: ***“6 And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth. 7 And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.” (Genesis 7:6-7 KJV)*** Now we can see that his three sons were married. They have

their own families and they are included in the vision of God to be saved from the coming wrath of God.

Now speaking about the children of Noah, sure they were not doing what the other people in the world were doing. **** If we want our children to be saved we should not allow them to be intermingling with the world and we should not allow them to do what the people in the world are doing. * There is no excuse for us in this matter. Speaking about life and death, we need not to allow our children to be intermingling with sin and to go with people who will lead them and tempt them to sin.*** Speaking about the marriages of the children of Noah, sure they did not marry as the people in that world around them did marry; otherwise, they will be condemned and left to be destroyed by the flood. Sure Noah played an important role in the marriage of his three sons. ***In the same way, we need to help our children and our disciples and prepare them to have Godly marriages and build up Godly families.***

Noah disciplined his children, and sure they worked together with him to help him to build the ark and to prepare the food for themselves and for the animals that they carried with them for they did what God had instructed them to do, ***“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.” (Genesis 6:19-21 KJV)*** ***The family of Noah was a good example of a disciplined family in stewardship, and they were prepared and trained to live away and in isolation from the world around them. Noah and his family with the good stewardship they observed, kept, and stored enough food for them and the animals.***

God with the flood that He sent destroyed all the things and the foundations that were not instituted by God. Jesus said, ***“13 Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.” (Matthew 15:13 KJV)*** ***As we remember during COVID 19 pandemic and in every judgment that God was sending, He was removing everything that was not instituted by Him.*** God sent the flood to destroy all flesh as He said, ***“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.” (Genesis 6:17 KJV)*** The water of the flood was used to destroy all the flesh. But the same water of the flood saved Noah and his family. Why? Because Noah and his family were in the ark; Noah spent his life building the ark and that what God had told him, and in return to his obedience the ark was used by God to save Noah and his family as we read here: ***“20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.” (1 Peter 3:20 KJV)*** What we conclude here is that when we obey God and do what He is asking us to do, He will spare us when He will send His judgment. As well as this means that what God will be using to bring His wrath and judgment on others, the same will be the means for the salvation and the deliverance for us and our families.

**** What God will use to judge the wicked and repay them for their evil, the same will be used by God to promote the righteous and to reward him. * When you obey God and do what He is asking you to do, He will spare you when He will send His judgment. * The means that God will be using to bring His wrath and judgment on others, the same, will be the means for you and your family to be promoted and rewarded by Him.***

God told Noah that He will destroy all flesh, ***“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.” (Genesis 6:17 KJV)*** But God assured him that He will establish His covenant with him and with his family, ***“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.” (Genesis 6:18 KJV)*** Today God through His Word is assuring us that if we will continue to obey Him, He will establish us and our families to live eternity with Him and with others who delighted to live their lives for God.

* The call now is for every family to follow the persevering example of Noah's family, who united around the head of the family who was achieving and doing what God had revealed to him and wanted him to do. * Noah with his wife and three sons and their families became part and parcel of the ministry; they integrated with the ministry that God had given to them. They set their lives to be a challenge for others around them to follow their examples. They did not give up or falter because no one joined them, for they valued their ministry and they were aware that it was from God.

E. Noah by the which, his ministry, he condemned the world: Noah was a preacher of righteousness to impart the world with a very clear and non-compromising message. Apostle Peter wrote also about what God did to the old world and he described Noah as a preacher of righteousness. ***“4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; 5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly.” (2 Peter 2:4-5 KJV)*** Therefore Noah ***“became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.” (Hebrews 11:7 KJV)***

Now the question is this: How Noah became a preacher of righteousness? Noah preached a non-compromising message; he did exactly what God had told him to do; his life, the life of his family, and the lives of his sons' families were the real good example, that Noah challenged the world to repent and follow God, and condemned the whole world that was not willing to repent. God judged the old world, by using the life of Noah as a standard for Him to judge. If people would argue with God and would tell Him, it is impossible to abide and to follow the rules of God, the Lord would tell them, but Noah followed and he could do, why you could not do?

Noah did not go to other women. Noah did not live to eat and drink. Noah was not corrupted by the world. Noah did not waste resources. Noah did not intermingle with the world. Noah taught and trained his wife and children on what God's Word declares. Noah trained his wife and children to serve God with him. Noah helped his three children to have Godly families. Noah did not allow his wife or children and their wives to go along the principles and the practices of the world. Noah did not allow his wife, his children, and their wives to be polluted by the idols and the feasts of the idols that were around them.

Now by the which, his ministry, he condemned the world. Noah left no excuse for people to tell God that they sinned because their wives and because their children forced them, for God would tell them, Noah has a wife and three children, but he did not allow his wife and his three children to control him and push him to do wrong and intermingle with the evil practices and the traditions of the world around them.

Noah as a preacher of righteousness did not give up or falter when people did not respond to him or join him. Noah had confidence in the Lord that He will neither leave him nor forsake him and that God shall provide all his needs. His family also did their part very well and supported Noah and helped him to achieve what God wanted him to do. Without the support and the cooperation of his family, Noah would not be able to do perfectly what God wanted him to do.

The family of Noah was not only united with Noah, the head of the family, and was united with one another, but as well as they were united with God and were servants to Him. They had adjusted their lives to the vision and the purpose of God in their lives that He had given to Noah, the head of the family. They were transformed to perform the vision and to do the task required. They adapted, tailored, and personalized themselves to the vision of God; they were glad to stay inside the ark through the whole period of the flood that lasted several months. They were trained for that. People now a day they are annoyed if you ask them to stay a long time inside the house. They want to roam around, they make friends, they wander here and there with trips and journeys. But see the family of Noah and the families of his three sons, they loved their lifestyle and their ministry, they loved God, and they loved their father who was obeying and following God, therefore, when God brought judgment on all the earth, they were not affected at all because they were doing exactly what God had asked them to do. * In the same way, if we live a righteous life and do what the Lord wants us to do then when His judgment will come on the wicked we will be spared. * The judgment of God on the wicked world around us will be a promotion to us. Noah and his family were the richest people in the world after the flood, as Adam was the richest man in the world. Noah and his family worked around one hundred years to build the ark, therefore God rewarded them and they inherited the whole earth after the flood.

My Dear and Beloved: Noah and His family, eight in all did excellent work. ***This one family, a church-sized, made a great impact in the world and even to this day.*** Noah led his family in righteousness. He was the pastor of his family and together with them he accomplished the building of the ark that saved them through the flood. Noah's Godly character and obedience made God to save them from His wrath when He sent the big flood. In holy fear, Noah built the ark and saved his family. As a result, he condemned the world around them.

Noah was a preacher of righteousness. He cared for his family and lived a righteous life. He diligently followed whatever God had told him to do in building the ark, and in preaching the Word of God to the people around him. Noah lived the Word of God he received in a way that he was able to lead his family to build the ark. Heeding God's warning about the flood was his method to preach God's Word to the people around him. And the Lord used Noah's life testimony against those who did not follow his example. ***In the same way God wants to use you to lead your family in the salvation of God, to set good example to others to follow, to condemn those who refuse to amend their ways, and God will help you in achieving what He asked you to do and will save you from His coming wrath.***

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 the wonderful family

that you gave to me and all the resources that you made it available to me to serve you and to do your will. Lord thank you for the message and thank you for the teachings, the corrections and the admonishments that I received from you.

Come now to God and confess your sins. Confess your lack of the fruit of the Holy Spirit; love, joy, peace, gentleness, kindness, faith, meekness, perseverance, long-suffering and self-control. Confess your non willingness to spend time with your family, reading the Word of God and having prayer and worship daily with them. Confess and renounce your bad stewardship and your disobedience to precisely apply God's instructions to you. 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 reproduce more fruit of the Holy Spirit and to spend more time to build up and to train my family in the way of righteousness. Lord I commit myself to do precisely the instruction that you are giving to me to build up my family and to serve you wholeheartedly and be good example to others to follow you.

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 continue to serve you.

Lord, bless us as your church as we commit ourselves to continue to train our members and our workers with your Word to live in holiness and to lead their families in the way of righteousness. Lord lead us to more people and families who are in need of your Word and are willing to follow. 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 take the message and spread it to all the church members, congregations and families. 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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