

Noah

Heb 11:7; Gen 6:1

1. Intro

1. Our subject today is Noah; another man who walked with God.
2. What was the setting that Noah was in? We see that he was faithful and as a result God creates a covenant with him.

2. The Setting

1. Long life. Different environment?
2. Unseen events (Heb 11:7)
 1. Where did he build the ark? (Gen 6:14)
 2. A flood is coming. What is a flood? (Gen 6:17)
 3. What was rain? (7:4) (a mist watered the earth (Gen 2:5b-6; 1:6)
 1. Skies and underground waters opened up (7:11)
 4. Waters lifted the ark (Gen 7:17)
3. Animals not afraid of man. (Gen 9:2)
 1. Animals now for food (Gen 9:3-4)

3. Faithful

1. Noah trusted God even when it didn't make sense (Heb 11:7)
2. Righteous
 1. Noah found favour (grace = acceptance) in the eyes of the Lord (Gen 6:8)
 1. What he did was approved by God
 2. Noah stood uninfected by the evil around him.
 2. He put his trust in God and believed Him about things not yet seen.
 3. One man preached (II Peter 2:5)
 1. Because of his faith and because He believed what God said to be true, he preached this news to the people.
 2. What is the purpose of preaching?
 1. To bring people back into relationship with God.
 3. God always gives an opportunity for repentance.
 4. Did he have help?
 1. Methuselah (Grandfather) died in the year of the flood (969 yrs) (5:27)
 2. Lamech (father) died about 5 years before flood (777 yrs) (5:29)
 5. Was he ridiculed as he built and preached?
3. Noah walked with God (Gen 6:9b)
 1. Remember Enoch (5:22)
 2. Noah obeyed the Lord to the letter (6:22)
 1. Instructions giving regarding the size of the ark (6:14-16)
 2. He gathered the animals.
 3. Noah never separated his normal life from his “spiritual life”

4. God's Covenant

1. God made a covenant with Noah (6:18)
 1. Not fully revealed until after the flood

2. It was a promise to Noah and his descendants not to flood the earth again (9:11)
 1. The sign was the rainbow (9:13)
2. God continues to redeem.
 1. He had a plan and a purpose for mankind
 1. Noah was instructed to repopulate the earth (9:1)
 1. Get on with life
 1. God would continue what He started

5. Application

1. Logic dictates to us. Are we faithful when things don't make sense?
 1. God knows what is best for our lives.
2. We cannot pick and chose in what to be obedient to
3. If we have lived for the future, by faith in Christ, will be found out to have been the wise people.
 1. The future will become the present, and the present will become the past, and the past is gone for ever.
4. As in the days of Noah (Matt 24:37-39)

6. Conclusion

1. God saw a righteous person
 1. Was willing to give mankind another chance.
2. God's covenant still stands today.
 1. Look at the rainbow.
3. God is willing to extend grace after grace.