

BY FAITH NOAH...

Hebrews 11:7

INTRODUCTION:

A. God's people must live by faith 10:38

- 1) We must live life by faith
- 2) We must not become reclusive

B. We are not to abandon our profession 10:39

- 1) This might lead to death
- 2) We are to have faith that will save our lives
"He that saveth his life shall lose it" Jesus

C. Faith must be our foundation and evidence

- 1) It was Abel's foundation
- 2) It was Enoch's foundation
- 3) It was the foundation of all the elders that received a good report.

I. By Faith Noah... vs 7

A. *"By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet,..."*

- 1) *"warned"* = "to give divine instruction"
- 2) *"being divinely warned about things as yet unseen"* WEY
- 3) Rain and floods had not as yet been seen by the inhabitants of the earth.

B. *"...moved with fear,..."*

- 1) *"moved"* = *εὐλαβεομαι* = "to take hold carefully, "to act with reverence", "to act circumspectly"
- 2) *"filled with reverence..."*
- 3) When God spoke to Noah, he (Noah) having faith, listened reverently and followed God's instructions.

C. "...prepared an ark to the saving of his house;..."

- 1) "prepared" = κατασκευαζω = "to completely make ready", "to construct", "to outfit"
- 2) "ark" = κιβωτος = "a wooden box", "a hollow vessel"
- 3) "saving" = σωτηρια = "deliverance", "safety", "preservation from danger or destruction"
- 4) "house" = οικος = "a dwelling with special emphasis on those who inhabit it", "the home"
- 5) "An ark to preserve and deliver his family"

D. "...by which he condemned the world..."

- 1) "condemned" = κατακρινω = "to give judgment against", "by giving judgment against, sentence is passed"
- 2) "world" = κοσμος = "order", "the order of the world"
- 3) "This action of faith condemned the unbelief of the rest of the world" PHI

E. "...and because heir of the righteousness which is by faith"

- 1) "heir" = κληρονομος = "receiving a portion", "he who has the inheritance"
- 2) "righteousness" = δικαιοσυνη = "the doing or being of what is just or right", "total approval of God"
- 3) "faith" = πιστις = "firm conviction", "total commitment"

II. The Story Of Noah

Genesis 5:28-32

A. Lamech was the father of Noah

- 1) "Noah" = "comfort" vs 29
- 2) Noah lived 950 years *Genesis 9:29*
- 3) When he was 500 years old he had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. vs 32

B. Noah lived in a time of great wickedness

- 1) *Genesis 6:5* - wickedness was great
- 2) *Genesis 6:11* - "the earth was corrupt, ...filled with violence"

C. Noah sought God and found Him

Genesis 6:9

- 1) He found "grace" in the eyes of the Lord *6:8*
- 2) Noah was a just man
- 3) He was "perfect" (whole hearted) in his generations
- 4) Noah walked with God

Genesis 8:20

- 5) He offered sacrifice to God
- 6) This is Noah before the ark or the flood

D. God commissioned Noah

- 1) *Genesis 6:13-14*
- 2) Noah did what God said *Genesis 6:22*
- 3) In building the ark Noah condemned the unbelief of those who would not build one *Hebrews 11:7*

E. Noah was a righteous person, he live by faith

- 1) *Genesis 7:1*
- 2) He lived righteously before his generation by doing what God told him to do, build an ark.
- 3) Some of the people believed in God but they did not have faith to build an ark.
- 4) *I Peter 3:19-22*
- 5) God was longsuffering, they would not build an ark, they died in the flood.
- 6) When the flood came, Noah and his family were "saved" from being identified with his generation.

- 7) The like figure, baptism, saves us
- 8) *Ephesians 4:8-10* - Jesus "preached" (announced) good news to the saved of the Old Testament (first covenant) that he had paid the ransom, that the blood he had shed on the cross had redeemed them.

III. Noah, A Man Of Faith

A. He was saved by faith

- 1) He knew of blood redemption
- 2) He knew of faith
- 3) He knew of the Lord's coming

B. He lived by faith

- 1) "*Now the just shall live by faith...*"
- 2) He built an ark by faith