

## ***By Faith Noah...***

*Heb. 11:6-7*

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- Set himself apart from the world. (Gen. 6:2,5-6,11-12)
  - It was sensual and superficial. (v-2)
  - It was constantly evil in its thinking. (v-5)
  - It was corrupt and violent. (v-11)
  - It was indifferent to spiritual things. (Matt. 24:37-39)
  - If you have a faith like Noah's, it will set you apart from the world. (I Thess. 4:1-7)
- Condemned the world. (Heb. 11:7)
  - Not as a sitting judge.
    - By his words, his preaching. (II Pet. 2:5)
    - By the actions of his faithful life – his righteous example. (Jn. 15:19-20; I Tim. 4:12)
  - "...His act of faith drew a sharp line between the evil of the unbelieving world and the rightness of the believing world. As a result, Noah became intimate with God."
  - If we have a faith like Noah's, by it we will render the wickedness of others even more apparent.
- Obeyed God when it made no sense to the rest of the world. (Gen. 6:14)
  - "Make thee an ark." (450 feet long, 75 feet wide, 45 feet high, 1.5 million cubic feet of space, the capacity of 520 cattle cars, 125,000 sheep)
  - What would it take for Noah to accomplish such a task...
    - A great sense of purpose. (Eccl. 12:13)
    - It would dominate his life. (Phil. 3:13)
    - It was a long-term project. (I Cor. 15:58)
- Believed God's warning. (Gen. 6:13)
- Expected something that had never happened before – a universal flood that would destroy all life. (Heb. 11:7; Gen. 7:19-20; 9:14-15)
- Feared a God who could not be seen with the human eye. (Jn. 1:18)
  - As a result...
    - Faith is perfected by obedience. (James 2:22)
    - He saved his family. (Heb. 11:7)
    - He became the heir of righteousness by faith. (Heb. 11:7)

### Like Noah...

- We are to live lives that are set apart from the rest of the world. (Rom. 12:1-2; I Jn. 2:15-17)
- We are to believe and do what the world sees as irrational. (Isa. 55:8-9)
  - The gospel. (Mk. 16:16)
  - Manner of life. (I Pet. 4:4)
- We expect an unprecedented event. (II Pet. 3:4-13)
- We fear the unseen God. (Heb. 11:1,6)
- We may become heirs of righteousness by an obedient faith. (I Pet. 3:20-21)