## **Building Our Faith....**



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Hebrews 11:1
Hebrews 11:6
Noah
persevered
because he was
"moved with
godly fear"





"moved with godly fear"

- Noah means "to comfort"
  - Genesis 5:29
- Described as:
  - "heir of righteousness which is by faith"



#### The Times of Noah

- Days of Noah were terrible!
  - Wickedness of man (V5)
  - Thoughts of heart evil continually (V5)
  - Corrupt (V11)
  - Filled with violence (V11,13)
  - Distracted from Spiritual service
    - Matthew 24:36-39
    - 2 Peter 2:5; 3:9



#### **Noah's Faith**

- Constant pressures of a corrupt society requires great faith!
  - Standards are in place for Christians today
    - Philippians 2:15-16
    - Philippians 1:27-28

We must have true faith in God!



#### **Basis of Noah's Faith**

"Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen"

- His faith was tested
  - No deluge of rain before
  - Would God destroy humans?
  - Could have had other concerns
- Had only God's word
  - His faith rested on that All that he needed



#### **Expression of Noah's Faith**

"Noah, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household"

- His faith manifested by obedience
  - Genesis 6:14-16
- His work performed based on faith
  - 525 feet long, 87 feet wide, 52 feet high
  - His work prosecuted by many



#### Result of Noah's Faith

"By which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith"

- Condemnation of unbelievers
  - Holy fear of God condemned their confidence in themselves
  - Faith condemned their unbelief
  - Good examples will either convert sinners or condemn them



#### Result of Noah's Faith

"By which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith"

- Became the heir of the righteous people of God
  - He was righteous before he was commanded to build the ark
  - Building the ark exemplified his faith
    - DID GOD'S WILL



### **Summary**

- Key verse Hebrews 11:7
  - Genuine fear of God
    - Motivated him to live a righteous life
- Key thought perseverance (patience)
  - 1 Peter 3:20
  - Patience in building the ark
    - Preparing for God's plan in His time



## **Application**

- Foolish to refuse to obey God
- The judgment is going to come
  - Must accept it by faith Hebrews 11:1
- Salvation will ONLY be realized by.....
  - Those who understand and DO God's will

"But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him." **Hebrews 11:6**