

“Noah Finds Favor”

Genesis 6:5–22

Mt Lassen Community Church • July 6, 2025

Intro • What is the craziest life or ministry challenge God has given to you—your “ark” to build by faith?

Vs 5 • Why a Flood? = “The heart of the matter is the matter of the heart.” | See **Proverbs 4:23 & Matthew 15:19**

Personal Reflection = What is the inner dialogue of your mind like? Does it line up with **Philippians 4:8**?

BONUS: What is being described in Gen. 6:1–7 is eerily similar to what will happen in the Last Days. See **2 Thess 2:1–12**, especially vs **6–7**! Who is the “restrainer” and how is he removed? And then what happens?

Vs 6–7 • God’s emotion is sorrow, not anger! **Vs 11–13** will tell us why.

Vs 8 • Noah finds **favor** in the eyes of the LORD. In the Flood account we see God’s grace & mercy (see **2 Peter 3:5–9**). **Examples →**

1 • Methuselah’s name means “his death shall bring.” He lived nearly **1000 years** before his death brought the flood! God was patient!

2 • Noah was preaching righteousness as he built the Ark for about **100 years**! God was patient!

3 • It took a **week** for the animals to enter the Ark = an open door and more patience of God!

Discuss • In **2 Peter 3:3–9**; why does Peter stress God’s patience and that “one day is as a thousand years”? What criticism does this answer? How do we see this in Noah’s story?

How did Noah find favor?

1 • **Hebrews 11:6–7** = Noah found God’s favor **through faith**, declared righteous! (Result: the Ark becomes a picture of salvation in Jesus!)

2 • **Gen. 6:9** • Noah found favor by **walking with God**. He was a man of worship, prayer & thanksgiving (**8:20–21**).

Discuss • What does your daily “walk with God” look like? Share tips with each other about how to connect with God regularly.

3 • Noah found favor in his **blameless** lifestyle (**6:9**). He lived out his faith in practical righteousness.

Discuss • We are blameless by justification (being declared righteous by faith) and by sanctification (living blamelessly, or “above reproach”). What is the connection between these two terms?

Vs 10–13 • God sadly decides to destroy the earth due to violence and corruption. He must end the cycle of harm, suffering and vengeance plaguing all humanity. The earth needed a new beginning.

Discuss • How does God’s emotion of grief and sorrow (vs 6–7) change our understanding of His Character, and the purpose of His judgment?

Vs 14–16 • Key idea: the building plan for the Ark was the perfect plan and Noah stuck to it!

Vs 17 • The Flood illustrates the danger of sin and the greatness of our salvation in the Cross (see **Hebrews 2:1–3**)

Vs 18–22 • Noah carries out the plan! → Imagine what God could accomplish through us if we were simply obedient like Noah!

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