

1st- Time Commitment

Today, I pray...

Father-God,

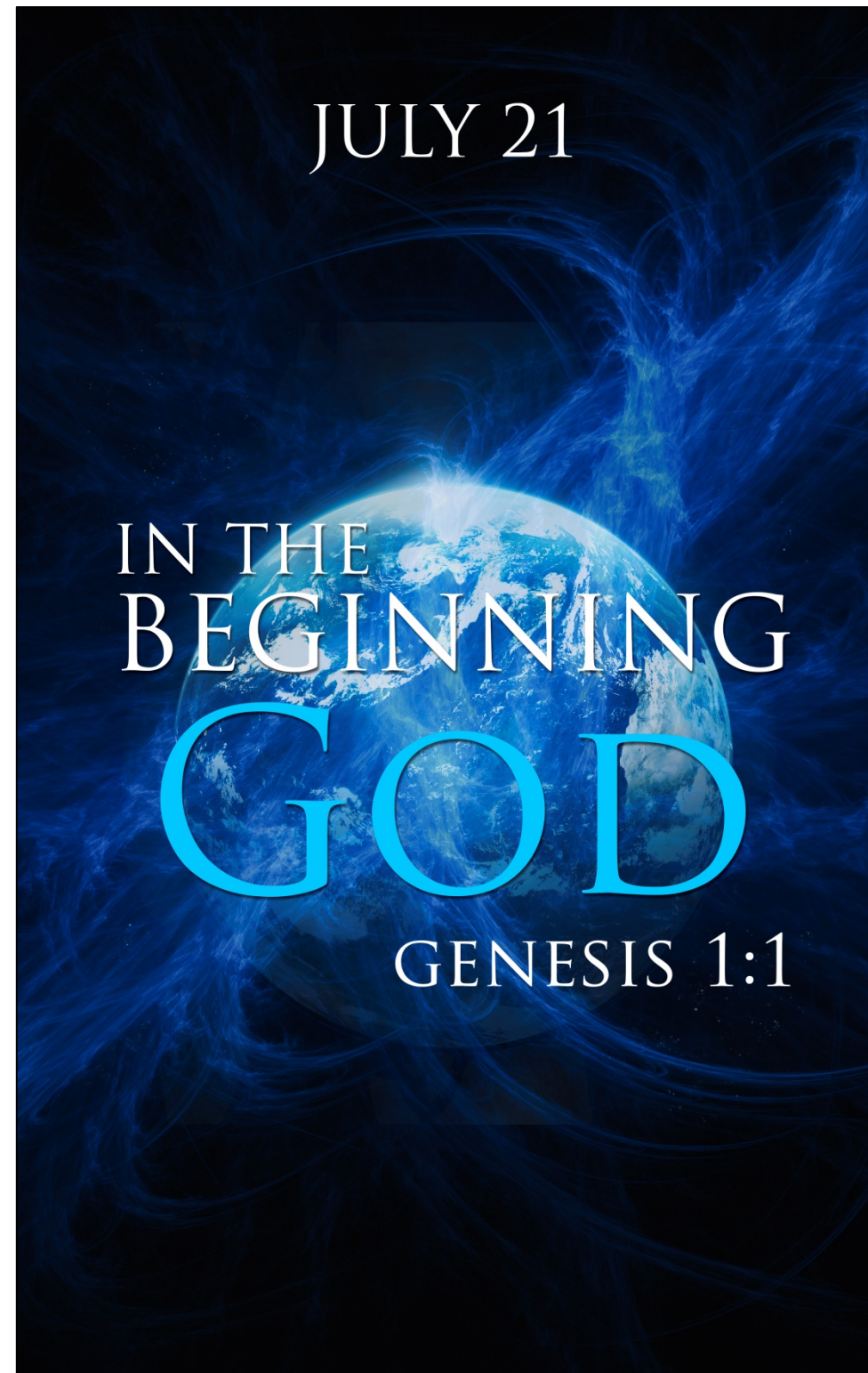
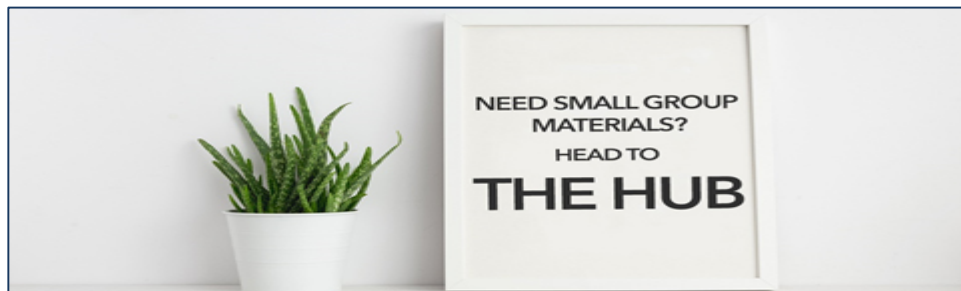
I believe that You sent Your son, Jesus, on a rescue mission to save me from my sin. Thank you for forgiving me. Today, I surrender my life to Jesus as my Lord and Savior.

Amen

Next Steps

I commit to...

- Follow God, instead of the culture.
- Spend quality time with God, this week.
- Read Genesis 6-8 this week; and, look for other lessons from Noah.



Noah

Genesis 6-8

[Jesus] "When the Son of Man returns, it will be like it was in Noah's day."
Matthew 24:37 (NLT)

Things We Should Learn from Noah

1. Noah chose to **GO AGAINST** his culture when his culture chose to go against God.

"The Lord observed the extent of human wickedness on the earth, and He saw that **everything they thought or imagined was consistently and totally evil**. So the Lord was sorry He had ever made them and put them on the earth. **It broke His heart.**"
Genesis 6:5-6 (NLT)

"Now God saw that the earth had become corrupt and was filled with violence. God observed all this corruption in the world, for **everyone on earth was corrupt.**"
Genesis 6:11-12 (NLT)

"But **Noah found favor with the Lord.**"
Genesis 6:8 (NLT)

"When everything was ready, the Lord said to Noah, 'Go into the boat with all your family, for among all the people of the earth, I can see that **you alone are righteous.**'"
Genesis 7:1 (NLT)

Q: Do I go with, or against, culture when culture goes against God?

- Different NOT · Abrasive
- Ambassador NOT · Traitor

2. Noah chose to be **CLOSE TO GOD**.

"This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, the **only blameless person living on earth at the time, and he walked in close fellowship with God.**"
Genesis 6:9 (NLT)

"It was **by faith that Noah** built a large boat to save his family from the flood. **He obeyed God, who warned him about things that had never happened before. By his faith** Noah condemned the rest of the world, and **he received the righteousness that comes by faith.**"
Hebrews 11:7(NLT)

Noah's Character

- Righteous
- Consistently follows God's will

Q: We are as close to God as we choose to be. Most Christians say they want to be close to God. Do my actions support my words?

- Character
- Habits
- Attributes

3. Noah did **EXACTLY WHAT GOD TOLD HIM** to do.

"It was **by faith that Noah** built a large boat to save his family from the flood. **He obeyed God**, who warned him about things that had never happened before..."
Hebrews 11:7a (NLT)

"Build a large boat... **So Noah did everything exactly as God had commanded him.**"
Genesis 6:14-22 (NLT)

"**So Noah did everything as the Lord commanded him..**"
Genesis 7:5 (NLT)

Q: Do I follow God's instructions exactly; or do I try to create my own "short cuts"?

- Moral Shortcut
- Ethical Shortcut
- Financial Shortcut

4. Noah **NEVER GAVE UP** on God's assignment for him, even in the face of ridicule and hardships.

"Noah was another who trusted God. When he heard God's warning about the future, **Noah believed Him even though there was then no sign of a flood, and wasting no time, he built the ark and saved his family..**"
Hebrews 11:7a (LB)

"By his faith, **Noah showed that the world was wrong**, and he became one of those who are made right with God through faith.." Hebrews 11:7b (NCV)

"But **Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.**"
Genesis 6:8 (KJV)

Q: How is my endurance in carrying out the assignments God gives me?