

Legendary Heroes:

Noah – We are called for more

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Genesis 6:5 (NIV) “The Lord saw how great man’s wickedness on the earth had become and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time.”

1. NOAH BUILT THE ARK: THE MOTIVATIONAL POWER OF OBEDIENCE

1.1. Three things about Noah that enabled the ark to be built:

- He was a righteous man – God gave His righteousness to him.
- He was blameless – He was a whole person in a broken world
- He walked with God – Noah came out of a corrupt world, but still turned his heart towards God.

Genesis 6:9 (NIV) “This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked faithfully with God.”

Genesis 6:22 (NIV) “Noah did everything just as God commanded him.”

1.2. How we should be like Noah:

- Because of Jesus, we can also find new **righteousness**, not because of anything we do, but as a free gift. We can be in **right standing** with God. If our relationship with God is **right**, then our actions towards others will also be **right**.
- At home, at the office or where ever we go - we should also be a **whole person** in that broken world.
- We should **turn our hearts towards God**, even if we have a broken past.

2. NOAH ENTERED THE ARK: THE MOTIVATIONAL POWER OF TRUST

2.1. Noah took his obedience and applied it to trusting God.

2.2. Noah had enough trust in God to enter the ark even though it must have been scary.

2.3. We too need to trust God and stay obedient to Him even when it becomes difficult.

3. NOAH ON THE ARK: THE MOTIVATIONAL POWER OF FAITHFULNESS

Genesis 8:1 (NIV) “But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters receded.”

- 3.1.** Noah remained faithful to God even when things became tuff.
- 3.2.** Being faithful isn't always easy or fun.
- 3.3.** When being faithful becomes difficult, we should take a moment, stand back and look at the bigger picture of what God is busy doing through our lives.

4. NOAH CAME OUT OF THE ARK: THE MOTIVATIONAL POWER OF WORSHIP

- 4.1.** The first thing Noah did when he got off the ark was to offer a sacrifice to God to thank Him for what He has done.
- 4.2.** Noah's first reaction was to worship God.
- 4.3.** In new situations our response is often to worry. Instead we should follow the example of Noah and rather worship God. We should thank Him for new situations.

Sermon Discussion Guide

OPEN YOUR GROUP WITH A PRAYER. THIS IS ONLY A GUIDE – SELECT THE POINTS YOU WANT TO DISCUSS.

- 1. What will your obedience to God motivate you to do this week?
- 2. What will your trust in God motivate you to do this week?
- 3. What will your faithfulness to God motivate you to do this week?
- 4. In what situation in your life will you choose to thank and worship God rather than worry?