



The Faith of Noah — The Work of Faith

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Hebrews 11:7

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What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book - Jesus is "Better" ...
- The Outline of the Book of Hebrews ...

A Better Person: Jesus (1-6)

A Better Priesthood: Jesus (7-10)

A Better Principle: Faith (11-13)

The Examples of Faith (11)

The Features of Faith — Faith Described vs. 1-3

The Family of Faith — Faith Displayed vs. 4-40

Abel: The **WORSHIP** of faith. v. 4 — A picture of what it looks like when you first come to **SAVING** faith in Jesus Christ. "*Abel offered to God a better **sacrifice** ...*"

Enoch: The **WALK** of faith. vs. 5-6 — A picture of what it looks like when you truly are **SEEKING** God by faith. "*Enoch **walked with God** ...*" (cf. Genesis 5:22,24)

What we are going to learn today in our study ...

Noah: The **WORK** of faith. v. 7 — A picture of what it looks like when you truly **SERVE** God by faith. "*Noah **prepared an ark** ...*" (cf. Genesis 6:8-22)

Why the Story of Noah is Humanly Foolish ...

- 1) It had never **RAINED**.
- 2) People could have **CHANGED**.
- 3) And there is no **OCEAN** anywhere nearby.
- 4) Noah had absolutely no **CONTROL** of the ark.

LESSON - The Faith of Noah 11:7

I. NOAH'S FAITH RESPONDED TO GOD'S WORD v. 7a

His faith was based on God's WORD. "*Being warned by God ... for the salvation of his household ...*"

His faith was motivated by WORSHIP. "*... in reverence ...*"

His faith was demonstrated by His WORKS. "*... prepared an ark ...*"

II. NOAH'S FAITH REBUKED THE WORLD AROUND HIM v. 7b

"By which he condemned the world ..."

His Sermon — What he preached

His Society — Who he preached to (cf. Genesis 6:5-7, 11-2)

- ☐ His generation was WICKED. v. 5
- ☐ His generation was GRIEVOUS. v. 6
- ☐ His generation was IDOLIZED. v. 7
- ☐ His generation was CORRUPT. vs. 11-12

III. NOAH'S FAITH RECEIVED GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS v. 7c

"... and became an heir of the righteousness which is according to faith."

His Position — Noah is the first one, in Hebrews 11, who is said to be RIGHTEOUS.

His Proof — Because Noah ...

- ☐ RESPONDED to God's Word he proved he had faith.
- ☐ Responded by faith, he REBUKED the faithless and ungodly society around him.
- ☐ Responded by faith, and his life rebuked the world, he proved he had RECEIVED a righteousness by faith.

Today's Growth Point — How does this passage apply to you and your GCG?