

SAVED LIKE NOAH

1st Peter 3:20-21

The salvation Noah experienced is compared to our salvation from sin.

I. SAVED BY GRACE

A. Genesis 6:5-8

When God planned the original destruction of the earth, only Noah, with his family, *"found grace in the eyes of Jehovah."*

B. Titus 2:11-12

God's saving grace is no longer limited to one family, but is available to everyone. This grace teaches how to live and how not to live. No one can partake in grace who ignores its teaching.

C. Ephesians 2:8-10

Grace means salvation cannot be earned, but it does not exclude works altogether. It means the one saved cannot boast about working. Noah still had to build the ark.

II. SAVED BY FAITH

A. Hebrews 11:7

Noah was saved *"by faith"* when he was warned *"of things not yet seen."*

B. Genesis 2:4-6; 7:11

Rainfall was unknown until *"the windows of heaven... opened."*

C. Hebrews 11:1; 2nd Corinthians 5:7

Faith is all about trusting in the unseen.

D. Hebrews 11:6

Faith still saves.

III. SAVED BY FEAR

A. **Hebrews 11:7**

Noah would never have built an ark if he wasn't afraid of disobeying God.

B. **Philippians 2:12**

There is no such thing as salvation that is not rooted in the fear of God.

C. **Ecclesiastes 12:13**

The meaning of life is to fear God and do what God says.

D. **Acts 10:35**

Acceptance by God is dependent upon fearing Him and doing what He says.

IV. **SAVED BY OBEDIENCE**

A. **Hebrews 11:7**

He was required to do something, or else his household would have perished.

So, "Noah... prepared an ark for the saving of his household."

B. **Genesis 6:14-7:5**

*"Thus Noah **did**; according to all that God commanded him, so he **did**" (6:22).*

*"And Noah **did** according to all that Jehovah commanded him" (7:5).*

C. **Luke 6:46-49**

The only way to be prepared for the flood is to do what the Lord says.

V. **SAVED THROUGH WATER**

A. **1st Peter 3:20-21; Genesis 7:17**

Noah's family was "*saved through water.*" The waters that washed away the sins of the world also buoyed the occupants of the ark to safety. The waters of baptism correspond specifically to the waters of Noah's flood.

B. **John 3:1-7**

Water is essential to salvation in Christ.