



A Man Called Noah

BUSY, BUSY, BUSY

Constructed an Ark

Corralled the Animals

Gathered the Food

**During their work they made sure
to invite everybody and anybody
that wanted to come on the
voyage to come along**

TIMES UP!



Time to Go

Seven days from now I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and I will wipe from the face of the earth every living creature I have made.”

Genesis 7:4



The Lord then said to Noah, “Go into the ark, you, and your whole family, because I have found you righteous in this generation.

Genesis 7:1



Faith in God

On that very day Noah and his sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth, together with his wife and the wives of his three sons, entered the ark. They had with them every wild animal according to its kind, all livestock according to their kinds, every creature that moves along the ground according to its kind and every bird according to its kind, everything with wings. Pairs of all creatures that have the breath of life in them came to Noah and entered the ark. The animals going in were male and female of every living thing, as God had commanded Noah. Then the Lord shut him in.



Genesis 7:4

Question

**How is placing my faith in Jesus
like Noah entering the Ark?**



Noah's Faith

The Ark was God's Plan not Man's idea

Noah did not wake up one morning and say I think I will build a boat just in case it rains

Nor did he call out to God and say, "Hey God this world is getting pretty bad, how about I build the boat and you wipe them out?"

God gave Noah very specific instructions and Noah followed them



The Jesus Plan

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”

Genesis 3:15

Jesus is not a man-made story

He is 100% God's redemption plan (Ephesians 1:3-4)

John 3:16



Noah's Faith

There was Only One way In

Make a roof for it, leaving below the roof an opening one cubit high all around. Put a door in the side of the ark and make lower, middle, and upper decks.

Genesis 6:16

Noah was only going to enter and exit this ark once therefore, only one door needed



The Jesus Plan

There was Only One way In

Therefore, Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.

John 10:7

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

John 14:6



Your Response

There was Only One way In

You don't get to make your own escape hatch.

You can't build your own gang plank

You don't get to crawl through a window

**And for heaven's sake
don't attempt to cut a
hole in the Ark**



**There is no getting in
by the skin of you your
teeth**

Noah's Faith

It's an open invitation for all

God did not make salvation through the ark some religious ritual, simply get on the ark

God said where and when, but he did not even give instructions on how to enter

God did not limit entrance on the ark to:

**Skin color, Gender,
Birthright, or even Sin
you were participating in**



The Jesus Plan

It's an open invitation for all

Ironic thing there were clean and unclean animals on the ark, but only **one type of human**

Salvation through Jesus works the same way: **The World or Whoever according to **John 3:16****



All are Welcome

This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants **all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.**

1 Timothy 2:3-4

Your Response

It's an open invitation for all

Who or where you are or where you have been is unimportant to God when it comes to inclusion at the cross

The only thing that matters is what you do with **Jesus going forward**



Noah's Faith

You must get on board and stay on board

Noah and his family built the ark but building the ark was not enough

The people in the world saw the ark but seeing the ark is not enough

Noah's sons grew up hearing all about this ark, but hearing about was not enough



Decide

Each had to make their own choice

The Jesus Plan

You must get on board and stay on board

So too is it with Jesus

Knowing about Jesus is not good enough

Hearing about Jesus is not good enough

Learning more about Jesus is not good enough



Your Response

You must get on board and stay on board

You must know him and he you

Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

Matthew 7:23

**You must be in an
active connected
relationship in him
(John 15:4)**



You Drown

Noah's Faith

God planed it, promised it, and sealed it

God decided how long before the rain started

God decided when to shut that door

God decided when to stop the rain.

God decided how long before Noah could exit.



Signed
& Sealed
for
Deliverance

The Jesus Plan

God planed it, promised it, and sealed it

When you accept God's gift through Jesus, you receive the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4:30)

Paul Calls him the "deposit" (2 Corinthians 5:5)

The deposit is a guarantee on the promises not yet filled by the promiser



Your Response

God planed it, promised it, and sealed it

There are responsibilities for both the giver and receiver

What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.



2 Timothy 1:13-14

A large cargo ship is shown from a low angle, sailing on a dark, choppy sea. The sky is filled with dramatic, dark clouds, and a bright light source, possibly the sun or moon, is visible in the distance, creating a silhouette effect on the ship's hull. The overall mood is somber and powerful.

Provided You are

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