

BT God is Serious

- Discussion: Does the world think God is serious? Why or Why not?

Genesis 6: 11 Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence. 12 God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. 13 So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. 14 So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out... 17 I am going to bring floodwaters on the earth to destroy all life under the heavens, every creature that has the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will perish..."

- God is going to deal with man, but he has an unusual plan
- God is going to have Noah build a large boat in a place that obviously has no use for one
- Discussion: What would you have been thinking/done if Noah lived next door to you?
- Discussion: Why did Noah have to build the ark? [God could have just given it to him]
 - To preach against the sin of the world
 - Testified to Noah's conviction
 - Opportunity for people to repent
- Discussion: What was life like for Noah and his family?
 - Noah persevered through a lot and so did his family
 - God asks us to do things that are different from the world
 - Sometimes it is difficult to stand out and be different

" 22 Noah did everything just as God commanded him. Genesis 7:1 The LORD then said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because I have found you righteous in this generation. 2 Take with you seven of every kind of clean animal, a male and its mate, and two of every kind of unclean animal, a male and its mate, 3 and also seven of every kind of bird, male and female, to keep their various kinds alive throughout the earth. 4 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."

- Noah was obedient to everything commanded
- Imagine sitting in the ark for seven days
- Discussion: What do you think Noah was thinking about for those 7 days?
 - What is going to happen to all those people
 - Is it really going to happen - I hope I am not crazy and Etc.

5 And Noah did all that the LORD commanded him. 6 Noah was six hundred years old when the floodwaters came on the earth. 7 And Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives entered the ark to escape the waters of the flood. 8 Pairs of clean and unclean animals, of birds and of all creatures that move along the ground, 9 male and female, came to Noah and entered the ark, as God had commanded Noah. 10 And after the seven days the floodwaters came on the earth.

- What did Noah hear when the waters began to rise?
- Discussion: Why was Noah saved?
 - His obedience
 - His righteousness
 - His actions [He built the ark and loaded it just as God had said]
- God is patient, 100 years building the ark, but serious, he followed through

Challenge: Respond to God's Commands and Realize He is Serious

Close with a Prayer