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NOAH WALKED WITH GOD

We are currently studying the Days of Noah taken from Genesis Chapters six through nine.

Jesus compared the Days of Noah to the Days of the Son of God in Matt.24:37-39. We are studying it because we currently live in the Days of the Son of Man.

The Days of Noah deal with the last days of the Antediluvian Civilization - "Until the day that Noah entered the ark." (Matt.24:38)

We will study *four aspects* of Noah's Walk with God through-out the last days.

1. God introduced us to an important foundational doctrinal principle of reaching and maintaining spiritual maturity in the life of a believer.

(Gen.6:8) "Noah found (matsa/ qal pf.) favor (chen/ grace) in the eyes of the Lord (anthropomorphism)."

Noah's spiritual growth in God's Grace System was an essential foundational doctrine for Noah's Walk with God amidst an evil corrupt civilization (He was a Grace-Oriented believer).

Noah had learned how to live faithfully regarding the six stages of God's Grace System:

- Saving Grace (Eph.2:8-9)
- Logistical Grace (Phil.4:19)
- Spiritual Growth Grace (2 Pet.3:18)
- Suffering Grace (Phil.1:29)
- Dying Grace (Phil.1:20-24)
- Surpassing Grace (1 Thess.5:9-11) Eternity!
- 2. Noah reached and maintained spiritual maturity by daily cycling Categorical Bible Doctrine by applying the Faith Cycle system. (2Tim.3:16-17; Rom.10:17; Heb.4:2; 2 Cor.5:7; Jas.2:22)

(2 Tim.3:16-17) "All Scripture is inspired by God and <u>profitable for teaching</u>, <u>for reproof</u>, for <u>correction</u>, for <u>training in righteousness</u>; so that the man of God <u>may be adequate</u>, <u>equipped for every</u> <u>good work."</u>

(Eph.4:13) "Until we **all attain** to the unity of the faith (**reaching spiritual maturity**), and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man (**maintaining spiritual maturity**), to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ (**super grace status**)."

3. God described Noah spiritual maturity by four doctrinal principles in Genesis 6:9.

"Noah was: (hayah/ qal pf)

- a. **Righteous** (tsaaiq) not just positional righteousness, but also experiential righteous.
- b. **Blameless** (tamim) "in his time (genealogy) not corrupted by evil like Nephilim.

- c. **Walked** with God. (halak) [hithpael perfect] Reflexive of volition towards Divine Truth, not lies! (John 8:32, 44)
- d. Noah did (asah/ qal impf) all that God commanded him (Gen.6:22; 7:5).

4. Noah was the only believer mentioned reaching and maintaining spiritual maturity, entering the ark.

It is hard to imagine that only eight individuals out of millions of people of the Antediluvian Civilization who would choose Christ, despite 120 years of Noah's preaching the gospel of Grace Salvation (2 Pet.3:9).

Imagine, every day for 120 years, while building the ark and preaching to the crowd that came to watch the progress, Noah preached the gospel of Saving Grace to those listening and wondering about the size of it! Yet they refused to believe that gospel of Grace Salvation. (1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16; Eph.2:8-9; Gal.3:8)

Noah's family members were the only ones choosing to engage God's Redemptive Plan and to live it daily amidst of great evil, evil that corrupted an entire civilization! Even the Sethites, who carried the messianic genealogy, were corrupted.

Noah and his family were in step with God - and out of step with the world.

(Ezek.14:14) "Even though these three men, <u>Noah</u>, <u>Daniel and Job</u> were in the midst, by their own righteousness <u>they could only deliver themselves</u>, declares the Lord God."

(1 Pet.3:20) "Who once were disobedient (fallen angels), when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safety through the water."