

Build the Ark- Genesis 6-8

Scripture Reading: Genesis 6:14-22

¹⁴ So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out. ¹⁵ This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be three hundred cubits long, fifty cubits wide and thirty cubits high. ¹⁶ 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. 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. ¹⁸ But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁹ You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you. ²⁰ Two of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive. ²¹ You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them.”²² Noah did everything just as God commanded him.

4 Key Observations:

1. Noah was a faithful man living in an unfaithful world
 - a. “Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked faithfully with God.” Genesis 6:9
2. The storm was coming
 - a. “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
 - b. “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.” James 1:2-3
3. God gave Noah an instruction manual
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 - b. “You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you. Two of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal, and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive.” Genesis 6:19-20
4. Noah followed obediently
 - a. “Noah did everything just as God commanded him.” Genesis 6:22

Our encouragement today:

1. Build the Ark
2. Our faith is built to endure
3. God remembers His people