

Trusting Obedience
Text: Genesis 6:9-22
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Big Idea: Because God is merciful, I must trust His plan of salvation.

Context is key!

Question #1 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?

- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

Question #2 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What does the text say about God and about me?

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
- c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- d) How does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

Question #3 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What are the principles, commands or promises given?

- a) What is the overall theme of the text?
- b) Does the passage include any promise from God? If so, what?

Question #4

- a) **Rd Heb. 11:1:** Based on this, what is faith?
- b) **Rd Heb. 11:6:** Based on the definition above, why is it impossible to please God without faith?
- c) As we continue through this series, why is it crucial to remember that each of these men and women were just ordinary people in the hands of an extraordinary God?

Trusting in God's plan of salvation means I trust...

Point 1: His REASON for SALVATION: Corruption (vv. 9-12)

Question: God sees your true condition. Will you see and acknowledge your corruption?

Question #5

- a) **Rd vv. 9-12:** Why was the earth corrupt in God's sight?
- b) We are sinners by nature and by choice. Explain what this means from Rom. 5:12 & James 1:14-16.
- c) From these verses, describe your life before being saved in Christ.
- d) Why should recognizing the wrath of God against sin, lead all believers to a posture of humility, reverence and praise towards God?
- e) What are some fruits that result of not remembering God's mercy in saving you?
- f) Where are these fruits evident in your life right now? Spend time in prayer repenting of these and praising the Lord for His mercy towards you.

Question #6

- Rd. v. 9:** What does it mean that Noah walked with God? What are the fruits in ones life who walks with the Lord?
- What has God given us today to empower walk in Him and with Him?
- Which of these need to be a greater priority for you in the week ahead?
- Spend time praying with one another for the faith to walk with the Lord in these ways.

Point 2: His **PROMISE** of **SALVATION**: Deliverance (vv. 13-21)

Question: God has made a way to deliver you. Will you turn to Him for deliverance?

Question #7

- Rd vv. 13-21:** What was God's plan for saving Noah and his family, while dealing with the corruption on earth?
- Describe how God's plan of salvation in Genesis 6, points to His plan of salvation through Jesus?
- Using Genesis 6 as the basis, write out the gospel as if you were sharing it with someone.
- Spend time praying for _____, and an opportunity to share the gospel with them this week!

Point 3: His **PATH** of **SALVATION**: Obedience (v. 22)

Question: Obedience to God flows from trust in God. Will you trust Him?

- Go back and read v. 18:** What was the promise God gave to Noah that he had to believe if he was going to be faithful to the Lord?
- What promise(s) of God do you find the most difficult to trust Him in? Why those ones?
- Put yourself in Noah's shoes: Why would it take faith to follow the Lord in building the ark?
- Where are you not following the Lord in the way(s) He's commanded you? Why aren't you?
- How does the gospel give us hope when we fail to obey God's Word & trust His promises?
- Spend time in prayer as group praying for one another to "follows all that God commands" this week, and be sure to check in with one another for prayer, correction and encouragement.

Prayer Application

Spend time as a group/in accountability in prayer...

- REVERENCE** before God: God, You are a merciful God who_____.
- HUMILITY** before God: Lord, I repent of: i) My unbelief in your promise of_____. ii) Walking by sight and not by faith in_____. iii) My lack of gratitude for your mercy.
- THANKSGIVING**: Lord, I thank You for displaying your mercy when_____.
- SUPPLICATION** to God: Lord, I ask for: i) Increasing faith to trust You when_____. ii) An increasing desire and passion to walk with You at all times and in all things.

Memory Verse:

"Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him."-Genesis 6:22