

# Evangelism By Noah

1. Noah was a Preacher of Righteousness (2 Peter 2:5).
  - a. “Preacher” translates the term κήρυξ (kēruḵ) which means, “a *herald*, that is, of divine truth (especially of the gospel): - preacher” (Strong’s).
  - b. “Righteousness” translates the term δικαιοσύνη (dikaiosunē) and means, “equity (of character or act); specifically (Christian) justification: - righteousness” (Strong’s).
2. The wickedness of men should trigger preaching (see Genesis 6:5-7).
  - a. Preaching is a strong way to counter act wickedness.
    - i. “Preach” is used 47 times in 44 KJV verses. (See Matthew 10:27; Mark 1:38; 3:14; Luke 4:18, 43; 9:60; Acts 16:10).
    - ii. Let us not be ashamed (Romans 1:14-16).
  - b. Many today suggest that the world is so wicked that preaching will no do any good (i.e. “It won’t do any good to tell them; it will only make them mad.”). God, however, combats wickedness with preaching!
3. It’s possible to be good in a bad world!
  - a. The world was wicked (Genesis 6:5), but Noah found grace (Genesis 6:8). (Grace is an important part of the Old Testament!)
  - b. The world was rebellious; Noah was obedient (Genesis 6:22; 7:5).
4. If you save your family, you’re doing a lot.
  - a. Noah’s preaching efforts yielded few numbers. Genesis 6:3 reveals that Noah preached for 120 years (this time may have been less). In that time, Noah only saved 8 souls (1 Peter 3:19-21).
  - b. 1 Timothy 4:16 reveals that an aim of preaching the Gospel is to save one’s *own* soul.
  - c. From Noah’s family, God repopulated the whole world. The salvation of your family may provide a new beginning some time in some place!

# All I Really Need to Know I Learned From Noah's Ark\*

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1. Plan Ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.
2. Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone might ask you to do something REALLY big.
3. Don't listen to critics—do what has to be done.
4. Build on high ground.
5. For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
6. Two heads are better than one.
7. Speed isn't always an advantage. The cheetahs were on board, but so were the snails.
8. If you can't fight or flee — float.
9. Don't forget that we're all in the same boat.
10. Remember that the ark was built by amateurs and the Titanic was built by professionals.
11. Remember that the woodpeckers inside are often a bigger threat than the storm on the outside.
12. Don't miss the boat.
13. No matter how bleak it looks, if God is with you, there's always a rainbow on the other side.

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\* This isn't really all that one needs to know, but it's a cute article.