

The Testimony of Noah – 2
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Let's get back into Noah tonight, and so grateful for this precious brother and the encouragement, the simplicity of just believing God, and I thank the Lord for the word of God. You know that we thank the Lord for the word of God, but just with the lives we know that there's battles, and struggles, and all, but I thank God He'll mention some of those things, but it's the overcoming victory, it's always about the promise, it's always about what they were called and chosen for. That was the focus of all these things, Noah and the ark, Abraham and his covenant, David the king. It just gives me chills all chosen for that, and here I'm gathered with by the grace of God, chosen for the bride. So, we are rejoicing, and we give God the praise for it, and tonight we go on from chapter six, verse eight to chapter six, verse nine. Tonight, we'll read about the perfect order. 01:08

Now, let's read verses eight and nine. But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD. These are the generations, or this is the history of Noah, and this is how his history begins. Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God. Praise the Lord. Now, just, perfect, and walked, but none of that could have happened without verse eight, grace. Grace, praise the Lord, grace is everything. Grace, not just the catalyst, it's everything always for ever and ever, it's the exceeding riches of His grace, and His kindness to usward who believe, and that's forever, and ever, and ever. So, thank the Lord for this undeserved love, mercy, everything of His. 02:13

But grace brothers and sisters, what's so beautiful here, just, perfect, and walked, grace purifies, grace performs, and grace finishes it all. Anything we are, is, and only is by the grace of God that is with us.; it is never changed. For all the Old testament saints it's the same grace that met them that chose them, that foreknew their lives and gave them this incredible desire. Matter of fact, the very faith of the Son of God to continue on believing the word of God. So, we see here that the Lord draws Noah., and the Lord draws Noah because of love. The Lord loves us, God so loved the world He gave His only begotten Son, love. Thank You Jesus. Isn't that marvelous, isn't that wonderful, but doesn't it truly biblically it make sense because God is love, and I thank the Lord that's how we know Him, and that's how He draws us, and that's how He leads us, and by the way that's what He wants us to know and to grow in is the knowledge of the immensity of that love in all of the aspects and proportions of it, and then as you begin to lay hold of that you'll understand where my oh my, He really does want to share everything with me. He really does want me to rule and reign together with me. It's just, it's marvelous. 03:48

Now, so Noah because of love, God's foreknowledge of Noah's heart God brings Noah into what God is, and that's grace. Let's turn on over to First Peter Chapter Five, verse ten. God is grace, we're so thankful that He is, Jesus Christ full of grace and truth, but let's read

First Peter here, and that's chapter five, and verse ten. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, and settle, hallelujah. And we're grateful to the Lord that word settle, you might make a little note it means a pillar. See, what He's after a pillar in the house of the Lord you Philadelphia saints, but it all you know gives that encouragement to us that God is doing it.

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Now, God's grace is the power, and let's turn on over to read about God's grace and power in Ephesians Chapter Two, verses eight to nine, and we're thinking the very first one of these words of what we read in verse nine that Noah was just, praise the Lord. So, Ephesians 2:8-9, for by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast. So, we thank the Lord that we are saved by grace through faith, hallelujah. And I thank the Lord that that's how everyone comes to Him is by the grace of God, and the grace of God gives us that faith to believe. And the beautiful thing about the very faith that God has given us let's go read that in Galatians Chapter Two, verse twenty. So, God's grace is the power, we are saved by grace through faith. The grace that we are given as it tells us in Galatians 2:20 is so wonderful because here's what that grace is given us. I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless, I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, I live by the faith of Jesus Who loved me and gave himself for me. How powerful is that?

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We are saved by grace through faith, and which faith is that? That is the faith of Jesus, that is the faith of the Son of God, and I thank the Lord it's because of this perfect plan of God that His life comes in us to live. As it says, go on over to Romans now we have this grace that's given us this faith, and we know that our life now as the word of God says, it's the new life of Christ that lives in us. We no longer live, Jesus lives in me, and the life I live, is the very faith of Jesus, praise the Lord. And so here we are in Romans Five and it tells us in verse one, therefore being justified by what? by faith. Anyone justified in the word of God is justified one way, by faith. Abraham received all that righteousness, all that wonderful righteousness of God by faith; he believed God. So, therefore being justified by faith, what? we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Go on over to chapter one, verse seventeen. Justified by faith, His faith He gave us, listen to this. For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith. How do you live? And the faith of the Son of God because you can't live any other way because you died the moment you accepted Christ as Saviour, amen? So, then I can say assuredly you're just. The just shall live by faith, and isn't that beautiful of our Lord? You can't live any other way. Praise the Lord, just grow up in who you are, amen? Just grow up in who you are, and the only way that's going to happen is we're going to grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, amen?

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So, here we are tonight, and this is what this is, and everyday get the word of God saints. Get it early, go get it. I told you, even that little Daily light, I was reading that this

morning. If you read that one this morning, I had to come back, it almost took me away. It just so, it's so all powerful. I've been thanking God. I had a real battle this last year and a half, internal. I needed to know more and more who I am in Christ, who I am to Him, who I am to you? I'll tell you what, I'm settled praise the Lord, and I mean praise the Lord. But the just shall live by faith, the faith of the Son of God, His faith. 10:24

So, go on back to Genesis Chapter Six, verse nine and I think that really makes sense now, these are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man; why? Faith. What gave him that faith? Grace. What did he get in verse eight? Grace. It's your story, it's no different, he was just a man just like you and God had an appointment with him just like you with grace. Hallelujah, and look at what it did for him. This grace gave Noah faith; I mean faith, amen? When others didn't have it, when others didn't see it, he was given the pattern to build an ark, huh? Moses was given a pattern to build the tabernacle, David was given a pattern to build the temple, and we by the grace of God, oh my. There the pattern to build the masterpiece of grace, the bride for the Lamb, and it's all there. So. brothers and sisters by faith in Jesus and His blood we have been made just. We have been made the very righteousness of God in Christ Jesus; that's what that faith did. 12:05

2 Corinthians 5:21. Let's just go read this together. These are verses we know, but as the Holy Ghost continues to lay this out, and to lay the line upon line, and line upon line, and precept upon precept it's marvelous. But in Second Corinthians Chapter Five, verse twenty-one it says, For He hath made him; God made Jesus to be sin for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him. And in Psalm 11:7 it tells that God loveth righteousness. And I do thank the Lord, I do thank the Lord for this because of again the perfection of His love, the perfection of His working just like the perfection of His grace that gave us this faith that gave us the faith of the Son of God, and in that faith of the Son of God because we are just, the just live by faith, and we can't live any other way. But here we've been made the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus, and our Father, He loveth righteousness; He made us what He loves. He made us to love us, amen. I mean to adore us. This is what He loves, and again it's because, the reason you're righteous is because Christ liveth in you. That's it, and you're fully righteous, isn't that what's glorious? And now it's just growing up in the beauty of that righteousness., and all of its benefits; all of those benefits which happen to be, we have been blessed with all spiritual blessings in the heavens in Christ. So, we thank God how He cares for us. 14:02

So then that grace and faith in Christ, and being just brings us, and I want us to go on over to Hebrews Chapter Seven, verse nineteen. In Hebrews Chapter Seven, verse nineteen, it tells us there, for the law made nothing perfect, did you hear that? It can't, the law made nothing perfect but the bringing in of a better hope did. So, the better hope made perfect. The better hope was the perfect, by the which we draw nigh unto God. So, if law wasn't perfect, what was the perfect that was brought in that brought the better hope that is perfect? Grace. So we thank the Lord the perfect is grace, amen? And it says there that that perfect is that grace is by which we draw nigh unto God. We come boldly to the throne of grace, amen? So, always remember that He gave us all grace; this is everything about

everything with the Lord is this grace, and it's to have us to draw nigh to Him. It was the only way we could come unto Him is this grace 1524 This undeserved mercy, the undeserved love, the undeserved everything, but that's what draws you to Him. Isn't that something?

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See, it's not your goodness, it's not your diligence. See, all of that pride, He sees you afar off, you're going the opposite way. It's the need of grace. It's the love of grace, it's the beauty of it, it's the thankfulness in your heart; that's the humbling before the Lord, that's where we humble ourselves. It's because of His grace, it's just so immense that He would love us and adore us like this and bring everything to pass to have us, and to have us draw nigh unto Him. And how close does He want? If the only way you can get close to God, or be drawn to Him is grace, He must really want us doesn't He because He gave how much grace? All grace? I love hearing that, I love Him loving me like that, that He gave me all grace to draw me as near to Him as I ever be. Thank You, thank You Jesus.

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So, grace makes us perfect, doesn't it? Yes, it does because it brought in the perfect, and grace, if we're saved by grace we're saved by perfect. Yes, stay with it, it gets better, and better, and better, it's just the word of God and the Holy Ghost lays it out; I'm thankful, but grace makes us perfect, grace makes us complete, grace makes us undefiled, grace makes us without spot. Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? How perfect is that? Is it God that justifies; now we're back to just, and if I'm just, praise the Lord I'm perfect, He did it all. He did it all, and He did it all with His blood, it's all there; it's all there, isn't that glorious? It's all there, just keep letting Him just put that in your heart and put that in your heart. You're born Lord of all, it's all there for jointly ruling and reigning with Him; that is everything from the very moment for you, praise God? Praise God, praise God. So, grace makes us perfect. It makes us complete; it makes us undefiled without spot, the chaste virgin, the glorious church so perfect in glory that it's got to be lifted out first from the rest, praise God. That's what that just does being made perfect. See, that's what drew the Lord to Noah to draw him out. So, very soon, very soon, very soon.

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Let's turn on over to Philippians going on with this mind, and this thought I should say, and the mind of Christ, and the thought of the perfection of His grace that He has made us for Him, turn on over to Philippians Chapter Three, and let's begin reading from verse eleven. Paul says here if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead; by any means that I would attain to that first trumpet rapture, by any means that I would attain to being raptured in the bridal company, praise God by any means to be of those of the church of Philadelphia, of the church of Smyrna, and Paul will be in that church of Smyrna because he has as we know died, but he died holding fast the crown praise God. So, he will be of those that will be raised at the first trump, right? The dead in Christ shall rise first, then we which are alive and remain, and I want to be of that alive and remaining company if the Lord will. See, not just remaining, I don't just want to be a remaining Christian because that's not alive; there's a quickening alive in our heart; alive for a bridegroom, alive with a crown praise God and we're going to meet up in the air, hallelujah. And we're thankful to God, but they rise first, then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up. And I don't exactly how fast, it says

it's the twinkling of an eye, but I'll tell you, when all that's going on as Brother Hill used to say, he's looking for Brother Copley coming up here whatever it was and different things. I say, now we can say now Brother is going to say let's go and there it is, praise God. 20:45

So, it says if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. Now, here he goes on. Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect. I want you to think about that. So, he says I haven't attained, and I'm not already perfect, but I follow after if that I may but apprehend, okay? That for which I also I am apprehended, Oh, that's a big one because that's all that matters what you are apprehended for. That which I am, not might be apprehended for, that for which I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. Let the Holy Ghost read this to you; how do you hear that? He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit sayeth to the church of Philadelphia. I hear what He tells me, He tells me that that He's going to make known to all that He's loved me. I know where I'll be standing when He tells me that by the grace of God absolutely; that grace is that powerful. Praise the Lord, that grace gives you the faith, and I will tell you this, like Noah, He's going to float my boat. What do you think? It gives me the faith hallelujah; He's going to float me out of here; I get this. I get what this is witnessing to my heart. This isn't playing around, this is real, and it's exciting. 22:31

So, He says that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. Brethren, he goes back and says look, I count myself not to have apprehended. He's saying look. I'm not just kicking back, I'm not just sitting there holding my hands and saying well I got this, and that's all it's going to be. That's not the heart of the runner; no, it's not. Jesus was excited about going to the cross. The Lamb slain before the foundation of the world, He knew all of that, He knew it was coming down, but the joy that was set before Him He endured the cross. Let's go Father, hallelujah. Yes, there was the battle, there was all of those things going on because He was made one of us to show us, and be encouraged, but thanks be to God for the faith of the Son of God; Father, Thy will be done. Right here, I believe, we have it because He tells us so. So, He says brethren, I count it not Myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do, forget those things which are behind. You got to forget them, all the things it's that unlearning even that we spoke about that Brother McLamb was telling me, you got to unlearn it. Unlearn your doubts, unlearn your fears, unlearn all the hesitation, and all that; don't go back there. Go on, forget those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before. Lord, let my heart be set those affections on the things above. 24:18

Oh hallelujah, What I'm called for, what I'm chosen for. I know we're building the ark every day but my oh my, we're floating out of here. Come on, huh? I know as Caleb and Joshua, I'm sure they said well, I know we're still here in Egypt and all that, and man this doesn't look the best in a lot of different ways, but we know we're going to walk into our promise here any minute. We're coming out of here because God said it. The promise is waiting us, and no one else believed. You guys are nuts, and then here came Moses. Could you imagine how thankful and joyous? Oh hallelujah, God's going to deliver, and not just get us out of here, we're going in. This is for the promise, this isn't just for event, this isn't just for all the victory, and victory, this is for the end result. This is exciting, this is how these ones

live. So, he says I press toward the mark for prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus; everything's about that. 25:44

Now, let's keep reading, here's where it gets really beautiful. Let us therefore as many as be perfect; isn't that glorious? Now he just said I'm not perfect, but now he said but let us therefore as many as be perfect, what? Be thus minded; yes, thus minded, and if in anything you be otherwise minded God shall reveal even this unto you. Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained. Now wait a second, let us walk; let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing. Okay now, the perfect are thus minded, right? What are they thus minded about? Finishing with the crown. I press toward the mark of the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. The perfect are that mind. There isn't anything else, it's everything, it's the only thing praise God. And we thank the Lord, and thank the Lord, and thank the Lord of that mind, or thus minded about the out- resurrection; that's it, just that lifted out just like Noah. And Paul's gospel as it says in verse seventeen, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. Noah, just perfect and walked, and he lifted out. Praise God. 27:46

And this is the walk, follow Paul as he followed Christ. Thank You Jesus, it's right there for us isn't it? It's the only way to this completion. Turn on over to Colossians Chapter One, verses twenty-seven and twenty-eight. It's Colossians 1:27-28. It says to whom God would make known. Actually, let's just go back to twenty- six. The mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints, alright? To whom God would make known what is the riches of His glory of the mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man, what? Perfect; perfect in Christ Jesus. 28:49

You go on over to Ephesians Chapter Four, it speaks of this perfect in verse thirteen. We can rejoice in this because this is our calling. Ephesians 4:13, till we all come in the unity of faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man; complete, mature, this is this perfection we're speaking of here, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ. That we henceforth be no more children; no more children tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive, but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ. So, praise the Lord, we are that. We are that, yes, we are hallelujah. He speaks to those who have the crown. 29:58

Go on over to First Corinthians Chapter Two. Think of how He speaks to us. Think of what we know, think of this communion we have with Him, and all by His Spirit. In First Corinthians Chapter Two let's begin reading from verse five. That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, and I'm going to tell you; any man's wisdom; any man's wisdom. Your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. Howbeit, howbeit, we speak wisdom among them that are perfect, huh? I hope you're getting chills because this is us because we have the understanding of this, and here's why we know this is us. Howbeit

we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of the world, nor of the princes of the world, that come to nought, but we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, in a mystery even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained; God had an appointment with, before the world for what? our glory; our Glory, our glory. 31:42

This is how the wisdom is spoken to them that are perfect, it's the wisdom that is spoken in the mystery of God, that hidden wisdom which God ordained before the world unto our glory. Oh my. And then this is what's so beautiful, go on to verse ten. We can just keep reading the word of God because it's just one. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. For what man knoweth the things of man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but we have received the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things we also speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teaches, but which the Holy Ghost teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual things. Aren't you thankful you're perfect? Oh, I'm so happy about that. So, Paul speaks to the perfect the wisdom of the mystery. Amen, and you know that mystery, don't you? Yes, you do because God chose you for it. 33:27

Noah knew the mystery of building the ark because God chose him for it. Nobody had the plans for an ark, but Noah did because he was chosen. Huh? We're getting it, aren't we? A little slow, but it's how we finish. That's the type of what God spoke to the perfect in Noah, the mystery of the ark, the flood. Ours is more because ours is for the perfect for our glory. Isn't that something? See, don't turn from that. You want that glory to be revealed in you. You want that, because that's His. That's his prize, that's his love, His dove, His fair one. That's the pearl of great price. That glory that she's going to give Him is everything. It's going to cause the twenty-four to sit just to throw their crowns; He's got her, He's received His glory, He's received His perfect, this is it. So, this is the glory that shall be revealed in His bride. 34:43

Now, some may be thinking, Pastor, I'm still kind of stuck a little bit on in Philippians 3:11 it says that we're not perfect. Now, so what is it? You'd say are we perfect, or are we not? They're two different things; they're two different things and it's beautiful as you see this. Let the Lord just lay this out, we are perfect praise God. The bible even says we're justified, we're called, and we're glorified. Now, how perfect is that? We're seated in the heavens in Christ, all these wonderful things; we are, we are, we are, but it doth not yet appear, amen? 35:23

The word of God tells us that. We're still running a race even though we win, the fulfilling of it must be lived. The fulfilling of it must be lived. What does Romans 4:17 mean to you? And you say, well what verse is that? Well let's go see what that means to us. And let's see it even in the context that it said here. Back up to sixteen, it says, therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace. Glorious, is it not? To the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham;

who is the father of us all. (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before Him whom he believed, even God, who quickens the dead, and calls those things which be not as though they were. 36:31

What does that mean to you? calleth those things which be not as though they were. What does that mean to you? It means that it doth not yet appear, but we know, but we know. See, and again how can the bible speak to us like that that we know? Because He gave us the grace to have His faith. That's why we know. We have the same knowing of Jesus saying three days He's going to build it back up: three days. You have Who's life? How much does God care for that life? Is it kind of the same as His own Son, or is it just the same as His own Son? I know it's just beyond, but that's your God, and just settle down with it and please Him because you can't please God without faith. Brothers and sisters this is not new truth, this is just the truth. And it's the immensity that the Lord, I'm telling you, it's just wr-wr-wr-wr-wr; lift off soon honeys. Have you ever seen that spacecraft before it goes, they're jiggling around uh-uh-uh-uh-uh; it's coming. You're going to say those nutty people, they uh-oh. I think that's what they said when they said where did all of this water coming out of the ground, and out of the sky, that crazy, uh-oh – uh-oh, come on. I don't want to be the company of the uh-oh. 38:39

Now, so brothers and sisters, just as Jesus had to come to earth as a man, He did. He had to live thirty-three years for the fulfilment; for the fulfilment of the Lamb that was already slain before the foundation of the world. Okay? Just as Jesus is abiding right now. 1 Corinthians Chapter Fifteen Jesus is abiding right now, verse twenty-three, Jesus is abiding right now. 1 Cor 15:23. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at His coming. Then cometh the end, when He shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father, when He shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. Now, is that going to happen? NOW, is that going to happen? For He must reign, till He hath put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that He is excepted, which did put all things under Him. And when all things shall be subdued unto Him, then shall the Son also Himself be subject unto Him that put all things under Him, that God may be all in all. Call not those things which be not as though they were. 40:25

Turn to Hebrews Chapter Two, verse eight it says it this way. Hebrews 2:8. Thou hast put all things in subjection under His feet. How much is under His feet. Is that done? Is it done, it's done, it's done, amen it's done alright? For in that He put all in subjection under Him, he left nothing that is not put under Him. But now we see not yet all things put under Him. The fulfilment of that has to be, the fulfilment of that has to come. The before ordained good works that we should walk therein. Brothers and sisters, because this is God, and because God and His foreknowledge knows everything you have a predestinated life; yes, you do. And it's exactly down to the jot and the tittle of Jesus Christ taking even to the vinegar upon the cross; it's that exact. How much grace have you taken; you sure now? You pray for me to take it all too because I know what that results in. All faith. All faith, and the faith of the

Son of God which we have. And here we are tonight, and this is the greater things that we would do in Him because He left the throne of glory; He knows that throne. He's seen it, and we haven't but we know. 42:28

Alright, let's button this up tonight. So, Noah having grace and by that grace given the most holy faith he believed God to lift him out. He believed God to lift him out, amen? The faith that made him just, and the grace that made him perfect, and with that what happens next in verse six? He walks with God. He walks with God, and in walking with God He's ready to be lifted out. Enoch, Enoch walked with God and was not. So, we know that Enoch found grace, and Enoch was just, Enoch was perfect, and Enoch walked with God. 43:32

Now, here it is, because grace that makes us righteous, makes us perfect, and then we walk with God. And here we are as we said ahead building on in the most holy faith that we're going to be lifted out of here just like the ark, but I leave it like this. Isn't it amazing, most every Christian, and even us as we started on, they reverse the order. It's thinking my walk makes me righteous, and my walk makes me perfect. Isn't that sad because it doesn't. He's already done it all, He's already given it all, and we just take a little walk. What you think, huh? Praise the Lord, praise the Lord. I didn't know I would love this so much, but then again, it's just like Jesus, that's how He does it, praise God, thank You Lord, Let's go ahead and stand and be dismissed. 44:52