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“No” Faith =
A Faith That Has Shown Up Because We Desperately Need It.

How “Now Faith” Operates:
“God Says It And We Do It. Right Now. Period.”
“God Says It And We Believe It. Right Now. Period.”
That Is “Now” Faith
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Four Ways That Noah’s Now Faith Was Displayed:

Now Faith is Preparation

Now Faith is Priorities

Now Faith is Parenting

Now Faith is Principles
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NOW FAITH AS SEEN IN HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS

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IN NOAH'S TIME WICKEDNESS WAS PREVALENT

(Gen 6:5-7 NIV) The LORD saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time. (6) The LORD was grieved that he had made man on the earth, and his heart was filled with pain. (7) So the LORD said, "I will wipe mankind, whom I have created, from the face of the earth--men and animals, and creatures that move along the ground, and birds of the air--for I am grieved that I have made them."
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“Every Inclination Of The Thoughts Of His Heart Was Only Evil All The Time”

Human Sin Was Blatantly Manifested In Two Ways:

1. Sexual Immorality
2. Violence
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God Resented Man's Wickedness

▪ The Lord Was Grieved

▪ God's Disposition Changed From Mercy And Patience To Judgment
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*In Scripture God Displays Holy Displeasure & Hatred Of Sin*

- When We Dabble In Sin -- We Are Hurt God's Heart --
- We Jeopardize Our Future -- He Is Grieved

- *If God Hates Sin -- Shouldn't We Hate Sin?*
- *If Sin Grieves God -- Shouldn't Sin Grieve Us?*
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*God Was Sorry That He Had Made Man Yet We Never See That He Was Sorry That He Redeemed Man*

**Why?**

Because That Too -- Is His Nature
THERE WAS A RIGHTEOUS MAN: NOAH:

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NOAH HAD FOUR THINGS GOING FOR HIM...

1. He Found Favor In The Eyes Of The Lord
2. He Believed God & He Obeyed God

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There Is A Warning Regarding Righteousness: Righteous People Must Always Value And Protect Their Righteousness
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3. He Was Blameless Among The People Of His Time:
Noah Was Righteous And Blameless Among A World Of Offenders

4. He Walked With God:
God Shows Grace To Those Who Walk With Him.

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God’s Action And Justice: He Will Destroy The Wicked

(Gen 6:11-13 NIV) Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence. (12) God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. (13) So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth."
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Noah’s Righteousness Condemned The Wicked And Opened Them To God’s Judgment:

1. They Had Rejected God's Redeemer & Turned From God
2. They Had Rejected His Messengers: Enoch / Methuselah / Noah
3. The Sin Was Great, It Threatened God's Plan Of A Redeemer
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Noah Warned Humanity… He Gave Them The Opportunity To Turn Around -- Mankind Of That Generation Opted To Go His Own Way

- Every Man Who Died Outside Of The Ark – Did So By His Own Choice
- After 120 Years Of Preaching – Pleading – Begging -- God's Judgment Was Unleashed
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Compare The Conditions Of Noah's Days With These Days:

1. A Strong Tendency By Many To Reject God
2. Undue Prominence Of Immoral Sexuality
3. The Rejection Of Righteousness Preaching
4. An Unparalleled Rise In Violence & Bloodshed
5. A General Feeling Of Anarchy And Lawlessness
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*Fair Warning Has Been Given Jesus Is Coming*

- He Is Coming For Those Who Are Ready
- Those Who Believe In Him & Are Righteous
- No One Can Know The Day Or The Hour
- All The Signs Point To Jesus Coming At Any Moment
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God Always Delivers His Own From Judgement

The Bible’s Message Of Noah Is Not Only A Message Of Doom And Gloom—it’s A Story Of Deliverance

(2 Pet 2:9 NIV) if this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment, while continuing their punishment[1].
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How Long Will You Wait?

- Don't Put It Off Any Longer
- Jesus Could Come Before This Day Is Through.
- There Is An Ark Of Safety
- An Ark Of Escape For Those Who Will Call Upon The Lord