

The Nature of Faith: Lessons from Noah

Discussion Guide | May 26, 2019 Hebrews 11:7 and Genesis 6-9

Questions for Study and Discussion

** Before you begin, please read Hebrews 11:7 as a group.

- 1. Imagine someone asked you to define the word "faith." What would you include in your response?
- 2. Who comes to mind when you think of a personal example of faith? What about this person makes them stand out for their faith?
- 3. Read Hebrews 11:1. What stands out to you about this biblical definition of faith? How does it compare with how you normally think about faith?
- 4. Now focus on Hebrews 11:7. List a number of observations from this verse about how Noah's faith is characterized.
- 5. As a group, work together to summarize the story of Noah. (Please scan Genesis chapters 6-9 if that'd be helpful.)
- 6. How is Noah an example of faith shining brightly in a dark, fallen world? (Hint: Look especially at Genesis 6:1-9.)
- 7. In what ways should faith in Jesus lead you to live distinctly and differently in our own culture today?
- 8. How is Noah's obedience to what God says (see, for example, Genesis 6:9-22) a picture of bold commitment? Explain.
- 9. How has your own faith in Jesus involved bold commitment on your part? How can you cultivate a willingness to continue responding to God and His Word with fresh, bold commitment?
- 10. What do you learn about God in the story of Noah? How do these truths about God show that He's worthy of your trust?
- 11. What is something you need to trust God with in your life this week? What truths about God can you cling to, that will help you live faith-fully in this area?
- **12. Challenge: Memorize Hebrews 11:1-2:** 1 Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. 2 This is what the ancients were commended for.