

Did Noah try to **WARN** his family too?

If you woke up and discovered that your house was on fire, wouldn't you try to **WARN** and **SAVE** as many of your family members, friends and neighbors, as you possibly could? **SURE YOU WOULD!**



Just as certainly, **WE** who have *repented*, and been *born again*, **NATURALLY** reach out and **WARN** those we love who are **STILL** in darkness, because **WE TOO** *were sometimes DARKNESS*+(EPHES. 5:8).

Even Cornelius, found in *the book of Acts*, sent for Peter, and then, *called together his kinsmen and near friends*+(ACTS 10:24) to **HEAR** Peter declare the Word of God to them.

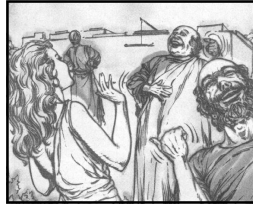
Every believer that has *TASTED that the Lord is gracious*+(1 PETER 2:3), that has been made *PARTAKERS of Christ*+(HEB. 3:14) and *of the Holy Ghost*+(HEB. 6:4), **HAS A DESIRE** to see souls **SAVED**, *especially the souls of their own loved ones!*

Before the flood, *Noah found GRACE in the eyes of the Lord*+(GENESIS 6:8) because he **BELIEVED** God when God said, *the END OF ALL FLESH is come before Me; for the earth is FILLED with violence THROUGH them; and, behold, I will DESTROY THEM with the earth*+(GENESIS 6:13).

So for the next *120 years*, Noah preached **RIGHTEOUSNESS**+(2 PETER 2:5), **WARNING ALL MEN** of the *impending judgment of RAIN* while also building the ark according to God's specifications.

Only Noah's wife, his three sons and their wives **HEEDED** the **WARNING**. The rest of his family members, and all his friends **SEPARATED THEMSELVES** from him.

The *Word of God* does not describe in detail Noah's persecution for believing God, but *we know* that **ALL WHO live godly...shall SUFFER PERSECUTION**+(2 TIM. 3:12)!



Even Lot *suffered* when he **WARNED** his sons in law of *God's coming destruction* of Sodom, and to them, *he seemed as one that MOCKED*...+(GENESIS 19:14).

We are...CIRCUMSPECT!

When a *true Christian HEARS BY FAITH* the *Word of God*, he or she becomes **CIRCUMSPECT**, that is, **CAREFUL** to consider *all related circumstances* of God's salvation!

By **FAITH** Noah, being **WARNED OF GOD** of things *not seen as yet*, **MOVED WITH FEAR**, *prepared an ark to the saving of his house*+(HEBREWS 11:7).

The ark that Noah built was large enough to **SAVE EVERY ONE** who chose to **BELIEVE**, and **ENTER IN!** But sadly, Noah **WAS NOT ABLE** to *persuade ANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBER*, nor **ONE SINGLE FRIEND** to enter into the ark with him that day.

The **TRUTH** of God will always **SET a man AT VARIANCE [TO MAKE APART] against his father, and the daughter against her mother**+(MATT. 10:35; LUKE 12:53); **TRUTH** will cause men to **HATE YOU, and...SEPARATE YOU from their company, and...REPROACH YOU, and CAST OUT your name as evil**+(LUKE 6:22).

KNOWING the TERROR...

But **WE**, **KNOWING...the TERROR of the Lord** **CANNOT HELP BUT TO CONTINUE TO...** **PERSUADE MEN**+(2 COR. 5:11) to **REPENT!** **WHY?** For **WE KNOW** that *is a FEARFUL THING to fall into the hands of the living God*+(HEB. 10:31); and **WE KNOW** that *OUR GOD is a consuming FIRE*+(DEUT. 4:24; HEB. 12:29).

Today, *true Christians KNOW* that **MANY**, including *family members and friends*, have *confidently ENTERED* the **WIDE...GATE**, and have *chosen* to travel the **BROAD...WAY** that will soon lead to *their destruction* (MATT. 7:13).

In Noah's day, the wickedness of **MAN** became **GREAT** in the earth, and **EVERY IMAGINATION of the THOUGHTS of his heart** was only **EVIL CONTINUALLY** (GENESIS 6:5). In these **LAST DAYS PERILOUS TIMES [HAVE ALREADY] COME**+(2 TIM. 3:1) resulting in **MAN having a FORM of godliness**+(2 TIM. 3:1, 5).

Jesus said *if any man HEAR MY WORDS, and believe not...he that REJECTETH ME, and receiveth not MY WORDS, hath ONE that judgeth him: THE WORD that I have SPOKEN [NOT SOME REVISION], the SAME shall judge him in the LAST DAY*+(JOHN 12:47-48).

How can you SAY you LOVE SOMEONE, and not WARN THEM that they are in DANGER?

After Noah and his family **WENT IN [THE ARK]...and the Lord SHUT HIM IN**+(GENESIS 7:16), how many of Noah's *family and friends* were *afterward* beating on that ark the day the **RAINS CAME**?

At the judgment, how many of *your family members and friends* will be **CAST OUT INTO OUTER DARKNESS**+(MATT. 8:12; 13:42) while God **WIPES AWAY** the tears from our eyes (REV. 7:17; 21:4)? **WARN THEM NOW!**

