

A dramatic painting of a wooden ark on a stormy sea under a cloudy sky. The ark is a large, multi-story wooden structure with a pitched roof, floating on turbulent, dark green and blue waves. The sky is filled with heavy, dark clouds, with a bright light source breaking through on the left, casting a golden glow over the scene. The overall mood is one of peril and divine intervention.

RIGHTEOUS

FOR HIS

PURPOSE

Genesis 6:5-9 Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. The Lord said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.” **But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.** These are the records of the generations of Noah. Noah was a **righteous** man, **blameless** in his time; Noah **walked with God.**



Genesis 7:1 Then the Lord said to Noah, “Enter the ark, you and all your household, for you alone I have seen to be righteous before Me in this time...

Genesis 7:5 Noah did according to all that the Lord had commanded him.

GOD USES PEOPLE WHO ARE AVAILABLE.

- God is not looking for the most extraordinary, talented, or educated.
- God cannot violate our free moral agency, but if we choose to be available, He will empower us.
- 2 Corinthians 9:10-11 (*God will supply and multiply your seed for sowing...*)

GOD USES PEOPLE WHO ARE AVAILABLE.

- **God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called!**

Isaiah 40:28-31, Do you not know? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth... Does not become weary or tired. His understanding is inscrutable. He gives strength to the weary, and to him who lacks might He increases power...

Availability is much more important than Ability.

Attitude is much more important than Aptitude.

- Are we like Isaiah, saying "**Here am I Lord, send me, use me, qualify me**"?

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1 Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light...

2 Chronicles 16:9a For the eyes of the Lord move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His...

ONE PERSON AND GOD MAKE A MAJORITY!

GOD USES PEOPLE WHO NEVER GIVE UP.



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Christianity is a religion of...

- *PERSEVERANCE...*
- *OF KEEPING-ON-KEEPING-ON...*
- *OF NEVER GIVING UP...*



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1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord...

Galatians 6:9 Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary.

DISCOURAGEMENT & DOUBT,

two of Satan's powerful weapons!

GOD USES PEOPLE WHO WILL FOLLOW HIM COMPLETELY

Genesis 6:22 Thus Noah did; according to all that God had commanded him, so he did.

Genesis 7:5 Noah did according to all that the Lord had commanded him.

Men and women of God today must be found saying...

- **With Abraham** – *Lord I'll follow your lead... Wherever you want me to go*
- **With David** – *Your Word is a lamp to my feet... And a light to my pathway*
- **With Samuel** – *Speak Lord... Your servant hears... And obeys.*

GOD USES THOSE WHO WILL OBEY HIM COMPLETELY!

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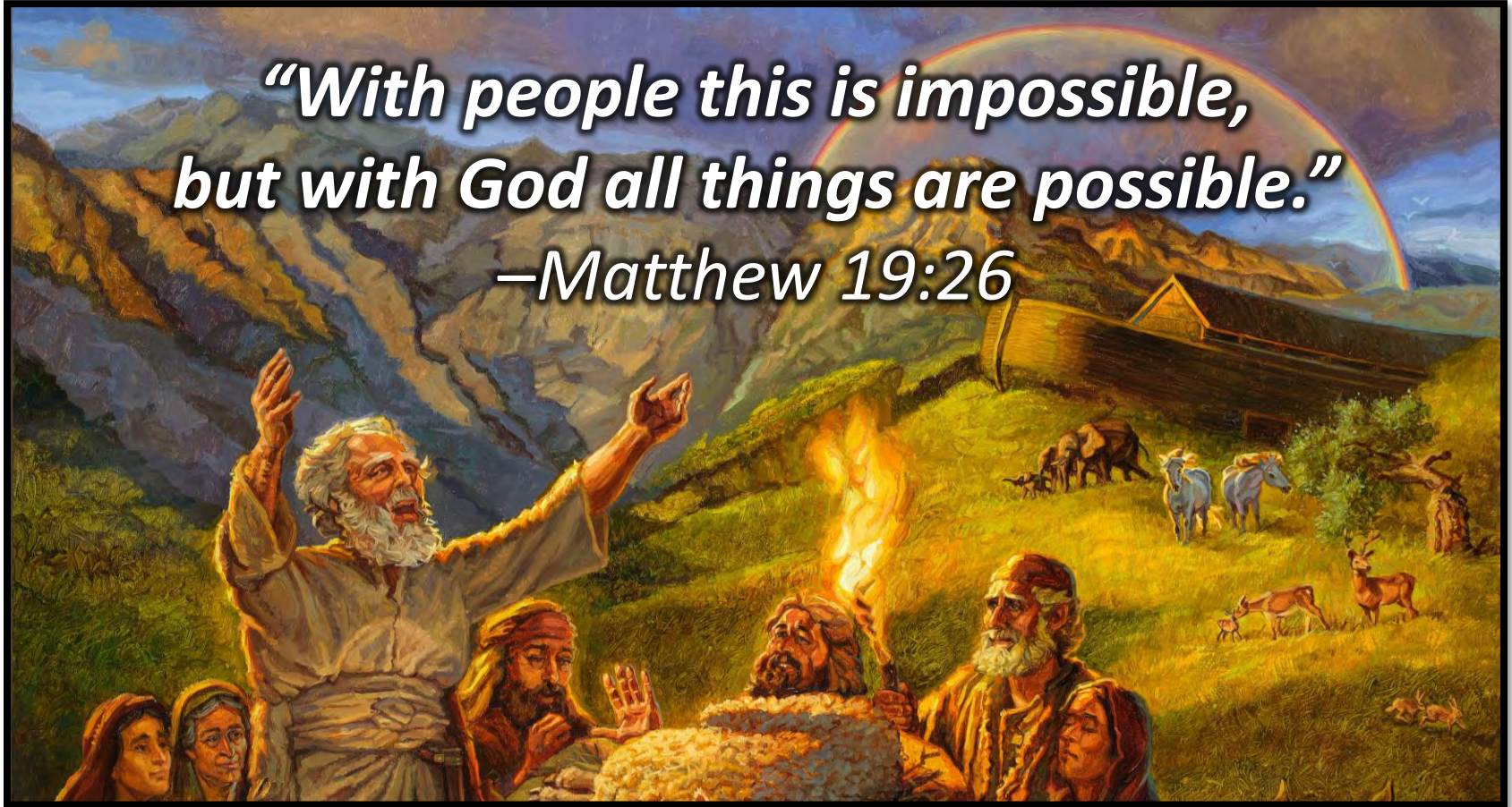
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***“With people this is impossible,
but with God all things are possible.”***

—Matthew 19:26



WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

Hear and Learn – *Rom. 10:17; John 6:45; 17:3*

Believe – *Heb. 11:6; John 6:29; 8:24*

Confess the Lord – *Matt. 10:32-33; Rom. 10:9-10*

Repent – *Luke 13:3; Acts 3:19; 17:30*

Be Baptized – *Mark 16:16; Acts 22:16; Gal. 3:26-27; 1 Pet. 3:21*

Be Faithful Unto Death – *Revelation 2:10*

Go and Share the Good News!

Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16