

My Biblical Role Model

Who is my outshining in scripture role model? Although there are many bible characters, I have selected Noah. Noah's life shows me his faith, his consideration of others, and his thankfulness towards God. In my opinion, Noah is one of the best biblical inspirations.

Primarily, Noah is a loyal person. Faith is the belief that is not based on sight. Noah's story talks about how God was going to send a flood, so He told Noah to warn the people of "The Great Flood". Noah listened to God without a second thought. The people decided not to listen to him because they had never seen rain one day of their lives. In Hebrews 11:7 it says, "By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household...". The reason why Noah's family was saved from the flood is because Noah had so much faith that God decided to give them grace. "...by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith." Noah's story teaches us that we should have faith and be loyal without asking questions or doubting God.

To illustrate his consideration of others, Noah told the sinful people about the flood. Mankind decided to ignore him except his family. He decided to drop what he was doing so he

can tell all of mankind about "The Flood". Noah had built the ark according to Genesis 7:15, "And this is how you shall make it: The length of the ark *shall be* three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits.". Building the ark took time. I am sure that people asked questions and Noah tried to save as many as possible. Unfortunately, no one listed but Noah's family. I someday want to be like Noah who is considerate of others and never stopped telling people how to be saved.

Finally, Noah shows gratitude. Noah, his family, and the animals had spent forty days and forty nights on the ark. Noah knew the flood was not over because he sent a raven, and the raven returned which meant the flood had not subsided. The second time Noah sent a dove and it returned with an olive branch. The last time he had sent the dove it did not return. This meant the flood was over so Noah and his family got off the ark. The first activity they did was to make an offering to thank God for showing him and his descendants acceptance. In Genesis 8:20, it tells me what Noah sacrificed, "Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar." I wish the world was thankful like Noah and his family. I want to remember to stop and give God thanks whenever something good happens to me.

In conclusion, there are a variety of biographical tales in the bible. I have decided to choose Noah as my biblical role model because of his faithfulness, compassion, and his appreciation of God's mercy. If the whole world had his character, we would not have to worry about evil, destruction, sin, and pride. I want to be like Noah!

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