



# ZION CHURCH

## Discussion Guide and Study Notes

Please use this guide in your Life Group discussion to help glean the most from our Sunday morning teaching. These notes are also excellent for your personal study and growth.

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Story  
Line  
OF GOD FOR US

### Till [Get the soil ready]

- For something on the fun side, search the internet for “Bill Cosby Noah” for a couple minute video routine of Noah’s call. Watch it as a group.
- From last week’s Life Group Notes, did anyone do any research on the size of the ark? What did you find?

### SOW [What God wants us to hear]

Noah had to stand alone against his culture.

- What kinds of pressures did Noah face?
- What kinds of pressures did Noah’s wife, sons, and their wives face?
- Who else in the Bible stood alone against wickedness?



## Plant [Working the truth into our hearts]

- Noah had a two pronged ministry (Judgment proclaimed with hope).
  - Preach against wickedness.
  - Preach available salvation.
- How would it be if a church or individual adopted only one of those aspects? In other words, what if one only opposed wickedness? What if one only offered salvation? How effective would these extremes be in reaching people? What would the environment be in those churches? What would converts be like?
- How did Jesus proclaim both judgment and hope?

## Harvest [Where the fruit is seen]

- How do we reach someone whose lifestyle we find offensive or even evil?
- How does Paul describe the pre-conversion state in Ephesians 2? Do they have any hope on their own? How about Romans 1? Do they have any understanding? If not, how does this change our approach? Is compassion relevant?
- What do you think God is more concerned with: the breaking of one of his laws or the loss of a human soul? Check out the end of Jonah for help here.
- Anyone to whom you need to show the grace of God (record it in your journal)?

Preview: Any funny stories due to a communication break down?

