

**Courage in Troubling Times:
When Standing Up Means Standing Alone
Noah: Genesis 6:5-22 (page 4)**

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Standing alone is:

- necessary because we live in difficult times
(Gen 6:5-7; 11-13; 2 Tim 3:1-5; Matt 24:37-39)
- possible with God (Gen 6:8-9; Rom 3:21-4:25;
Heb 11:7; Eph 2:8-10; James 2:14-26)
- requires us to trust in God (Gen 6:13-22)
 - Trusting in God begins and continues through:
 - faith in God's Word
(Gen 6:13-21; Heb 11:1-2; Matt 4:4; 2 Tim 3:14-17)
 - believing what is yet unseen
(Gen 6:13,18; Heb 11:1,7)
 - hearing and acting on what God said
(James 1:22-25)
 - complete obedience to God's Word (Gen 6:22; 7:5)
 - perseverance
(Gen 6:3; Heb 11:27; 2 Peter 2:5; James 1:2-4)

What can we learn from Noah?

- Like Noah, it is possible ***to stand alone*** and persevere in a hostile environment if we:
 - are *certain* we have heard from God and obey Him
 - are *assured* of the Lord's presence with us
 - *believe* that God's judgment is *imminent*
 - *walk* in God's grace in intimacy with the Lord
 - *believe* God's promise for our future