Genesis 6:5 (NIV) The LORD saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time.

Genesis 6:6 (NIV) ⁶ The LORD was grieved that he had made man on the earth, and His heart was filled with pain.

Hebrews 11:6 (NLT) ⁶ And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to Him must believe that God exists and that He rewards those who sincerely seek Him.

Hebrews 11:7 (NLT) ⁷ It was by faith that Noah built a large boat to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God, who warned him about things that had never happened before...

Hebrews 11:7 (NLT) ⁷...By his faith Noah condemned the rest of the world, and he received the righteousness that comes by faith.

FAITH and Obedience

Hebrews 11:7

⁵ The LORD observed the EXTENT of human wickedness on the earth, and He saw that everything they thought or imagined was consistently and Totally EVIL. (NLT)

Genesis 6:11 (NIV) Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence.

Genesis 1:31 (NIV) God saw ALL that He had made, and it was VERY GOOD...

Genesis 6:17 (NIV) I am going to bring floodwaters on the earth to **destroy all life** under the heavens, every creature that **has the breath** of life in it. Everything on earth will perish.

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By Faith Abel - was a **RIGHTEOUS** man By Faith Enoch - WALKED WITH God By Faith Noah - OBEYED God Long Term

⁶ And without FAITH it is IMPOSSIBLE to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.

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Obedience is a LONG WALK in the same direction

Response to the FLOOD...

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- God PROMISES never to destroy ALL living creatures
- God PROMISES Times and Seasons will Continue

Genesis 9:13 (NIV) I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between ME and the earth.

Genesis 6:8 (NIV) Noah found FAVOR in the eyes of the LORD.

→ Grace is Always very COSTLY

Romans 5:1 (NIV) Therefore, since we have been JUSTIFIED through FAITH, we have peace with God THROUGH our Lord Jesus Christ...

Titus 2:11 (NIV) For the **GRACE** of **God** that brings salvation has **APPEARED** to **ALL** men.

Titus 2:12 (NIV) ¹² IT teaches us to say **NO** to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age...

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, Threaten the soul with infinite loss; Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, Points to the refuge, the mighty cross.