GEARING UP WITH GOD FOR 2020 – Part 4 "God Wants To Work Through You"

WARNING!

Even Godly People Can Be Tripped Up Just Before The Finish Line

"After the Flood, Noah became a farmer and planted a vineyard. One day he became drunk on some wine he had made and lay naked in his tent." Gen. 9:20-21 (NLT)

"By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith." Heb. 11:7 (NIV)

Why did God choose Noah?

"For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him." 2 Chron. 16:9 (NIV)

1. NOAH WAS AVAILABLE

"The Lord saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, . . . The Lord was grieved that he had made man on the earth, and his heart was filled with pain. But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord" Gen. 6:5-8 (NIV)

2. NOAH DARED TO BE DIFFERENT

"Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God." Gen. 6:9

"Fear of man is a dangerous trap. . ." Prov. 29:25 (LB)

"...he walked with God." Gen. 6:9

What enables a person to remain different for a long time?

Consistent Communion with Christ

3. NOAH FOLLOWED GOD COMPLETELY

"Noah did everything just as God commanded him." Gen. 6:22 (NIV)

"And Noah did all that the LORD commanded him. Gen. 7:5 (NIV)"

4. NOAH NEVER GAVE UP

"Then Jehovah said, 'My Spirit must not forever be disgraced in man, wholly evil as he is. I will give him 120 years to mend his ways.'" Gen. 6:3 (NIV)

3 things that will tempt you to give up:

- <u>Problems</u>
- Pressures
- People