

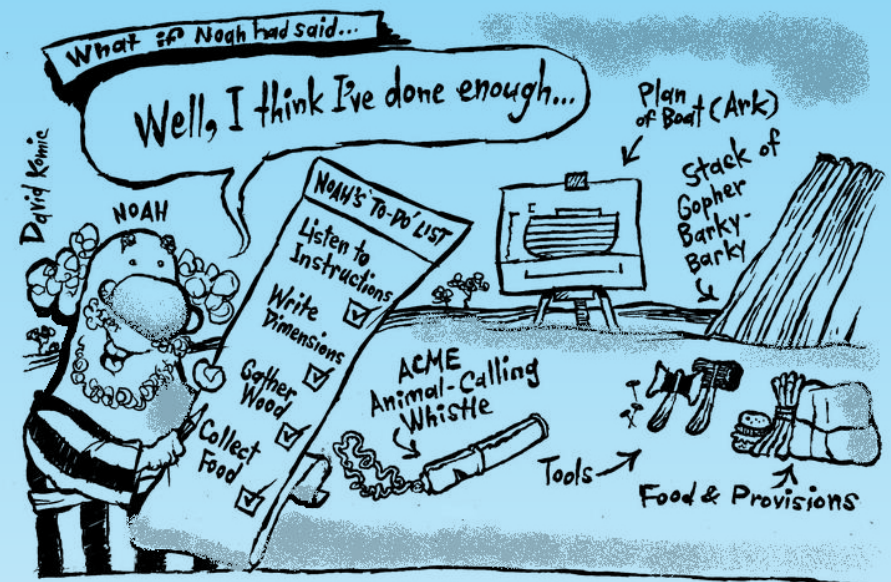
**a THOUGHT
FOR THE DAY**

Following Through on God's Guidance

The Bible says:

LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF THE WISE; APPLY YOUR HEART TO MY INSTRUCTION (PROVERBS 22:17 NLT).

TODAY, IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS (HEBREWS 4:7 NIV).



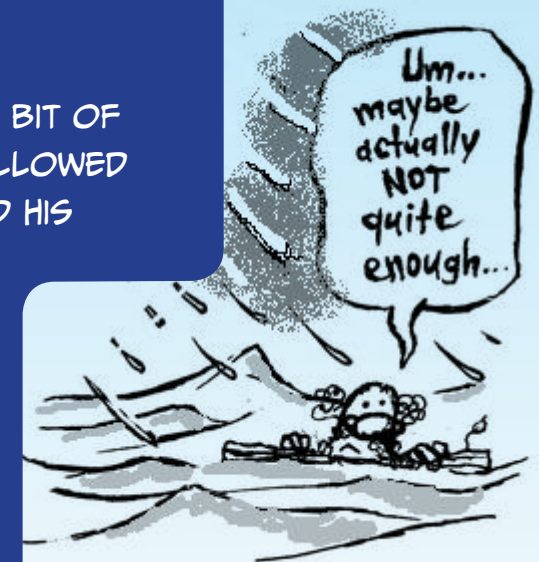
Think on this:

NOAH COULD HAVE SAID, "WELL, GOD TOLD ME WHAT I NEED TO DO, AND I DID QUITE A BIT OF WHAT HE TOLD ME TO DO ALREADY. I THINK I'VE DONE ENOUGH." BUT IF NOAH HADN'T FOLLOWED THROUGH ON ALL THAT GOD HAD TOLD HIM TO DO, ON THE DAY THE FLOOD CAME, HE AND HIS FAMILY AND THE ANIMALS WOULD HAVE BEEN WASHED AWAY WITH EVERYONE ELSE.

TO REAP THE FULL REWARDS OF FOLLOWING GOD'S COUNSEL, IT'S IMPORTANT TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON WHAT HE HAS TOLD YOU.

JUST AS WITH ANYTHING YOU WANT TO ACCOMPLISH, KNOWING WHAT YOU SHOULD DO TO REAP A DESIRED BENEFIT WILL ONLY GET YOU SO FAR. IT'S THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION, THE "DOING" THAT DETERMINES WHETHER OR NOT YOU REACH YOUR GOAL OR THE DESIRED OUTCOME YOU ARE SHOOTING FOR.

YOU MAY FIND THAT SOMETIMES IT TAKES TIME AND CONTINUAL EFFORT TO FOLLOW THROUGH, JUST LIKE IT TOOK MANY YEARS FOR NOAH TO COMPLETE THE ARK. BUT IF YOU'RE FAITHFUL, YOU'LL REAP THE BLESSINGS OF FOLLOWING THROUGH ON GOD'S GUIDANCE.



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