

WHAT MAKES GOD SMILE?

Finding our Way back to Jesus (Part 2 of 5)

Genesis 6:1-22, Matthew 21:1-11

"You (God) created everything, and it is for your pleasure that they exist and were created!" Rev. 4:11b

"The Lord takes pleasure in His people." Ps 149:4 (GN)

WE GIVE GOD PLEASURE...

1. WHEN WE _____

"I don't want your sacrifices-- I want your love! I don't want your offerings--I want you to know me!" Hosea 6:6 (LB)

"Noah consistently followed God's will and enjoyed a close relationship with him." Gen. 6:9b (NLT)

"God's unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave him great pleasure" Eph. 1:5 (NLT)

2. WHEN WE _____

"The Lord takes pleasure in those who honor him and trust in his constant love." Ps. 147:11 (GN)

"By faith, Noah built a ship in the middle of dry land. He was warned about something he couldn't see, and acted on what he was told... His act of faith drew a sharp line between the evil of the unbelieving world and the rightness of the believing world. As a result, Noah became intimate with God." Heb. 11:7 (Mes)

God: *"I want you to trust me in your times of trouble, so I can rescue you and you can give me glory." Ps. 50:14 (LB)*

3. WHEN WE _____

"We please God by what we do and not only by what we believe." James 2:24 (CEV)

"Noah obeyed and built a boat..." Heb. 11:b (CEV)

"Noah did everything exactly as God commanded him." Gen. 6:22 (NLT)

"Just tell me what to do and I will do it, Lord. As long as I live I'll wholeheartedly obey." Ps. 119:33 (LB)

"Those who live by their natural inclinations can never be pleasing to God." Rom. 8:8 (NJB)