

And Noah Built an Altar

Genesis 8:20-21 AMPC

[20] **And Noah built an altar to the Lord and took of every clean four-footed animal and of every clean fowl or bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. [21] When the Lord smelled the pleasing odor a scent of satisfaction to His heart, the Lord said to Himself, I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the imagination (the strong desire) of man's heart is evil and wicked from his youth; neither will I ever again smite and destroy every living thing, as I have done.**

Scientist started wrong with their calculations and ended wrong with the trajectory of their mission. Starting wrong and ending wrong cost NASA 125 million dollars.

And so it is with you and me, when we start wrong and will end wrong when we try to analyze solving our problems without first, getting God's instructions. Like NASA, we end up with wrong results. Like NASA, we overlook critical data called.....**the Altar of Noah**, before we tackle life's most difficult challenges, hurrying with daily exhaustion and tireless efforts to solve life's complicated challenges. Calculating how to deal with impossibilities, great fears, and wounds that won't heal with our own strong opinions. But leaving out God's most important starting point. **AND THAT IS, NOAH BUILT AN ALTAR!** The first thing Noah did when he got off the Ark was built an altar of prayer and sacrifice to the God who caused the flood. Noah did not build a house as his first priority after gets off the ark. Noah did not set up his own self centered kingdom entertainment activities. Noah realized he was on an entirely different planet and needed God. **AND NOAH BUILT AN ALTAR!**

When God saw a blood sacrifice in our opening text, verse 21 says it pleased God's heart. The odor of the sacrifice was a sweet smelling savor unto God's heart. When Noah built an altar God then made a promise, that I will not destroy the earth any longer by water. Noah started right and ended right. **And Noah built an altar.**

Noah's altar is very important to you today because it represents the power And authority you need for the demons and challenges you face right now. The altar is symbolic of prayer. It is symbolic of daily dependent relationship with Jesus Christ. **The altar is the only place you will find the power of His love.** The altar of the blood is the power of His grace. The altar of blood is where you find your strength for your life. The altar attracts God's presence in your life because of 1) your worship and 2) your repentance or sacrifice. So the animal sacrifice with the shedding of blood represents our repentance. The altar is significant for you because God Himself is a Holy God. He knows no sin. He is perfect in all of His ways. There is no fault in any of His ways. God cannot fellowship with arrogance or sinful people. So created the instrument called an altar of blood sacrifice. So when we put the sacrifice of repentance with worship on a altar it attracts God's Holy nature to us. The blood represents our repentance. Our repentance is tied into the blood of Jesus at Calvary. So the animal sacrifice, and the blood of Jesus are tied into our attitude of repentance. When God smelled the sacrifice of Noah His heart was pleased because the blood of Jesus is God's legal way to loosen demons attached to our lives. But I must build an altar like Noah.

Too often we seek to solve our problems and live. With self justification on strong opinions without creating an altar with blood sacrifice in our attitudes. In warfare, this is the first order of business. In daily living, it is the first order of business. Biblical repentance is a gift and not a curse. The brazen altar or the blood of Jesus in repentance is the doorway into embracing the intimate love of God. Because God is Holy in nature, His ways are superior to your self justified opinions. In order for us to legally experience the power of the Gospel, God must see the blood. He must see our worship that must accompany our repentance as well, then He releases His promises to us. Then He activates His grace on and through us.

We cannot exclude our attitudes calling on the blood of Jesus in repentance when asking Him for help, or when asking Him for direction. In other words, the blood and repentance activates God's mercies in our lives. It releases deliverance. It releases God's favor for us and our loved ones. Along with worship, it puts God's love and grace into action on our behalf. Repentance activates the fear of God in our lives because it kills arrogance in us. It reminds us to be thankful for what we have. It kills selfishness and complaining to others about what we don't have. Repentance causes God to transform heal and to deliver us from strongholds in our lives.

AND NOAH BUILT AN ALTAR- THIS ALTAR IS SYMBOLIC OF THE ONLY PLACE TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE BUT.....

1. Only through Submission to God's Word from our opinions and our strong desires.
2. **And also with Confidence in His love while you are repenting. (That's worship).**

Psalm 33:1 KJV

[1] Rejoice in the Lord , O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright.

Without your altar you become disillusioned with love. You become arrogant with God and man. You make excuses for what you want despite the fact God's word says something else.

This brazen altar with blood sacrifice recognizes the sovereignty and the holy reverential fear of God. So I choose to humble all of my ambitions to the altar of blood today. I humble all my ideologies and philosophies and differences to the altar of the blood today. Because there is a power and an anointing that is released from the altar of sacrifice you cannot get anywhere else. It's imperative that we activate faith in the altar of sacrifice by worship and repentance today. This is the first thing Noah did after going into a new Season for his life.

This business of building an altar is so critical for you and me because the spirit world that controls the visible operates from the blood applied to our altars. The adversary has the legal right to impose strongholds into our lives when we ignorantly or defiantly refuse to activate the blood of Jesus in building our altars.

John 14:30 AMPC

[30] I will not talk with you much more, for the prince (evil genius, ruler) of the world is coming. And he has no claim on Me. He has nothing in common with Me; there is nothing in Me that belongs to him, and he has no power over Me.

1. I am not just seeking the blood today to fight my enemies.
2. I am seeking the blood because I desire a closer relationship with Jesus Christ.
3. I am serious about change with obedience.

Saul did not do that with his altar sacrifice at Gilgal. Uziah did not do that with this altar sacrifice and became a leper. Esau tried to do that with his altar and could not find repentance. Joan clinger to the horns of the altar but his sacrifice was not accepted. Cain's sacrifice was not accepted because of his arrogance and jealousy with his brother. The blood of Jesus is only activated with a heart that seeks to obey to change in repentance worship. And a heart that seeks intimacy with God before power with God. ***And Noah built an altar.***

Everything in the tabernacle needed blood sprinkled on it for God to be pleased. Put up image of Jesus covered with much blood. AND NOAH BUILT AN ALTAR.

Hebrews 9:19-22 AMPC

[19] For when every command of the Law had been read out by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of slain calves and goats, together with water and scarlet wool and with a bunch of hyssop, and sprinkled both the Book (the

roll of the Law and covenant) itself and all the people, [20] Saying these words: This is the blood that seals and ratifies the agreement (the testament, the covenant) which God commanded me to deliver to you. [21] And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tabernacle and all the sacred vessels and appliances used in divine worship. [22] In fact under the Law almost everything is purified by means of blood, and without the shedding of blood there is neither release from sin and its guilt nor the remission of the due and merited punishment for sins.

We too must wear the bloody spiritual clothing visible to others in order to see chains broken. In order to see yokes broken and transformation take place. This means the altar I build must make sure the blood of Jesus is covering all of who I am.

- My attitude towards leadership must have the blood sprinkled on it.
- My attitude towards tithes and money
- My attitude towards sexual perversion
- My attitude towards a prideful opinions that do not line up with the Word.
- My character
- My ambitions
- My priorities
- My social kindness to people
- My long term decision making. Does it have the blood sprinkled on it.?
- My servant hood to others. Am I accountable to a ministry. Am I involved in a ministry
- For **Lev. 17:11** says the life of the flesh is in the blood. So life and love found in your flesh is because of the attitude of repentance in your lifestyle. God finds life in our flesh by the blood of repentance.

Leviticus 17:11 AMPC

The benefits of repentance. It produces a **peace** we need in this hour of being overwhelmed and dismayed.

Colossians 1:20 AMPC

[20] And God purposed that through (by the service, the intervention of) Him the Son all things should be completely reconciled back to Himself, whether on earth or in heaven, as through Him, the Father made peace by means of the blood of His cross. And Noah built an Altar

1. It gives us **cleansing strength** when we have little energy and strength left of our own.
2. It gives us **wisdom and discernment** for impossible complexed situations.
3. It **transforms a flawed and dirty character.**
4. It **loosens strongholds and generational curses**
5. It **provides direction** for confusing times.

Hebrews 12:24 AMPC

[24] And to Jesus, the Mediator (Go-between, Agent) of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood which speaks of mercy, a better and nobler and more gracious message than the blood of Abel which cried out for vengeance

1. To brings us into **close intimacy to feel the love of Jesus Christ.**
2. It gives us **boldness** while fighting in fierce battle

Hebrews 10:19 AMPC

[19] Therefore, brethren, since we have full freedom and confidence to enter into the Holy of Holies by the power and virtue in the blood of Jesus.

1. The blood **releases a joy** we cannot get anywhere else. For the joy set before Him He endured the cross.
2. It renews **the humility and fear of God** we need to sustain our blessings.
3. The blood gives us specific **identity to a certain kind of love** unmatched to any other love.
4. It **removes all your sins** in water baptism when you have the name of Jesus called over you. And not built an altar.

The power of repentance in Jesus name

1. For impatience
2. For worrying fear.
3. For unbelief and double mindedness
4. Apathy towards the lost.
5. For being critical and judgemental towards my leadership
6. For seducing spirits of lust
7. For lack of giving and obedience in my tithing and offering
8. For not embracing the prophecies in destiny's that I've been spoken over my life.
9. For putting the opinions of the affirmation of people highly respect above God's opinion and his word from my life. Fearing man more than fearing God.
10. For neglecting my role as a father and a husband to my family
11. For mismanaging my money
12. For the lack of disciplining my flesh for my eating habits
13. For not using your Word first when being confronted with emergencies and attacks in relationship hurts.
14. For seeking other medications for my flesh and disappointments other than your presence and Your Word.
15. For attitudes of pride arrogance in independence.
16. For giving into low self-esteem and self critical this.
17. For prayerlessness in my life
18. For sloppy holiness standards in my life.
19. For rarely declaring the one this and the doctrine of the apostolic faith to others anymore.
20. For a self centered attitude.

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Isaiah 9:3-5 AMPC

[3] You O Lord have multiplied the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before You like the joy in harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil of battle. [4] For the yoke of Israel's burden, and the staff or rod for goading their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, You have broken as in the day of Gideon with Midian. [5] For every tramping warrior's war boots and all his armor in the battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

Revelation 12:11 AMPC

[11] And they have overcome (conquered) him by means of the blood of the Lamb and by the utterance of their testimony, for they did not love and cling to life even when faced with death holding their lives cheap till they had to die for their witnessing.

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