## Noah Discussion

Remember that these monologues are essentially historical fiction, based on the Scripture but filling in plausible subjective details, both emotional responses and motivations. Your first task is to decide if they are reasonable.

What difference would it make if you lived 900 years and your body and brain continued to function normally?

What things would you do differently if you knew you could live that long?
Did long life produce a perfect world? Why not?
Why did Noah and his family turn out differently from the rest of the population?
According to Scriptural data, Adam lived until the year 930 after creation, Seth until the year 1042. Methuselah was born in the year 687 and was the grandfather of Noah who was born in the year 1056. Noah could have asked his grandfather about Adam and Seth, whose lives overlapped with his by several centuries. Is it reasonable that they would have discussed all the events of creation, the Fall, the sacrificial system and the prophecies? *

What are reasons for respecting age and reasons for not respecting age?
Is it normal to feel depressed about the state of the world?
In what ways is our world better or worse than the world of Noah's day?
Is there a retirement age for God's service?
What can you still do if you lose physical and mental abilities?
Should we be open to a new assignment from God, regardless of our age? Are we?
Who else in Scripture had a major assignment in what we would consider old age?
Was Noah done working for God after the flood?*
Noah lived 348 years after the flood and was alive until Abraham was 58 years old.
Shem actually outlived Abraham by 35 years and was alive when Jacob was 50.
What bad things were done by Noah's descendants that he knew about?
Is it reasonable that Noah continued to be a preacher of righteousness all his life?

* see "Age chart Adam to Joseph"

