

Noah & the Flood

Genesis 6-8

The Story

Parents: Review this lesson with your child.

Many years after Adam and Eve lived, the earth was full of people. But the people had forgotten all about God. They lived very bad lives. The earth was a very scary place to live with all the murdering and other bad things the people did.

God was sad to see everybody live such bad lives. He knew that He couldn't let the world get any worse. He would send a flood to kill all the people and animals.

God knew that one man, Noah, still loved Him and believed in Him. He would save Noah and his family from the flood. God told Noah, "Make a big boat (called the ark). Make it big enough for your family and two of every kind of animal. (It was bigger than a football field.) Paint the inside and outside of the ark with pitch so the water can't come in. Put lots of food on the ark for you and the animals. I will save you and your wife, your three sons and their wives, and two of every kind of animal from the flood."

Noah did as God told him. How all the people must have laughed when they saw Noah build such a big boat on dry land. Noah had the chance to tell them to be sorry for their sins and ask God to forgive them, but the people wouldn't listen to him.

Finally it was time to go into the ark. Noah went in the ark with his family. God sent two of every kind of land animal and bird to go on the ark. Then God closed the door.

God sent rain to the earth for forty days and nights. The water covered everything, even the tallest mountains. All of the people and animals that were not on the ark died, but Noah and his family and the animals on the ark were safe.

God did not forget about Noah and his family. He sent a big wind to dry up the water on

the earth. Finally, it was safe to come out of the ark. God let Noah and his family and the animals come out of the ark. God told them to have babies and fill the world once again with people and animals.

Noah was so happy that God had saved him and his family that he built an altar to the Lord to worship God. God was pleased that Noah remembered to thank Him. He made a promise to Noah. "I will never again destroy the whole world with a flood. I will put a rainbow in the sky to remind you of My promise."

God cleansed the earth which had become corrupt and violent.

By God's grace we are able to trust in our Savior Jesus Christ for salvation.

Passage

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23



Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, we sin everyday and deserve death. Thank You for sending Jesus.
Amen.

Classroom Activity - Action Poem

Read the poem with your students. Let them help you think of motions to go with the words.
Then read the poem again while doing the motions.

1) God said to Noah,
"Build a boat, build a boat."
God said to Noah,
"Build a boat."

2) Saw, saw,
Hammer, hammer,
Paint the pitch,
Paint the pitch,
Noah and his boys were busy.

3) "Why build a boat
In the middle of the land?"
People must have laughed,
Must have laughed.

4) "Be sorry for your sins,"
Noah said, Noah said.
"Be sorry for your sins,"
Noah said.

5) Then God sent the animals,
Two by two, two by two
Then God closed the door
Of the ark.

6) Down came the rain,
Flooding higher, flooding
higher.
Down came the rain,
Flooding higher.

7) The ark pitched and tossed
In the water, in the water.
The ark pitched and tossed
In the water.

8) God sent a wind
To dry up all the rain.
God sent a wind,
Whish, whish.

9) Then God let them out.
Praise the Lord! Praise the
Lord!
Then God let them out.
Praise the Lord!

10) Noah built an altar,
"Thank you, God, Thank you,
God!"
Noah built an altar,
"Thank you, God!"

11) God made a rainbow
In the sky, In the sky.
God made a rainbow
In the sky.

Hymn - "Jesus Loves Me This I know"

Jesus loves me this I know
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong
They are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me He who died
Heaven's gates to open wide.
He will wash away my sin.
Let His little child come in.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Color a rainbow in the sky above the ark. There is a hint of one already in the picture.



Classroom Art Activity - Promise Fan

Color a rainbow above the words "God Keeps His Promises." Accordion fold the picture to make a fan. Tape or staple the bottom end that will be held.



God Keeps His Promises