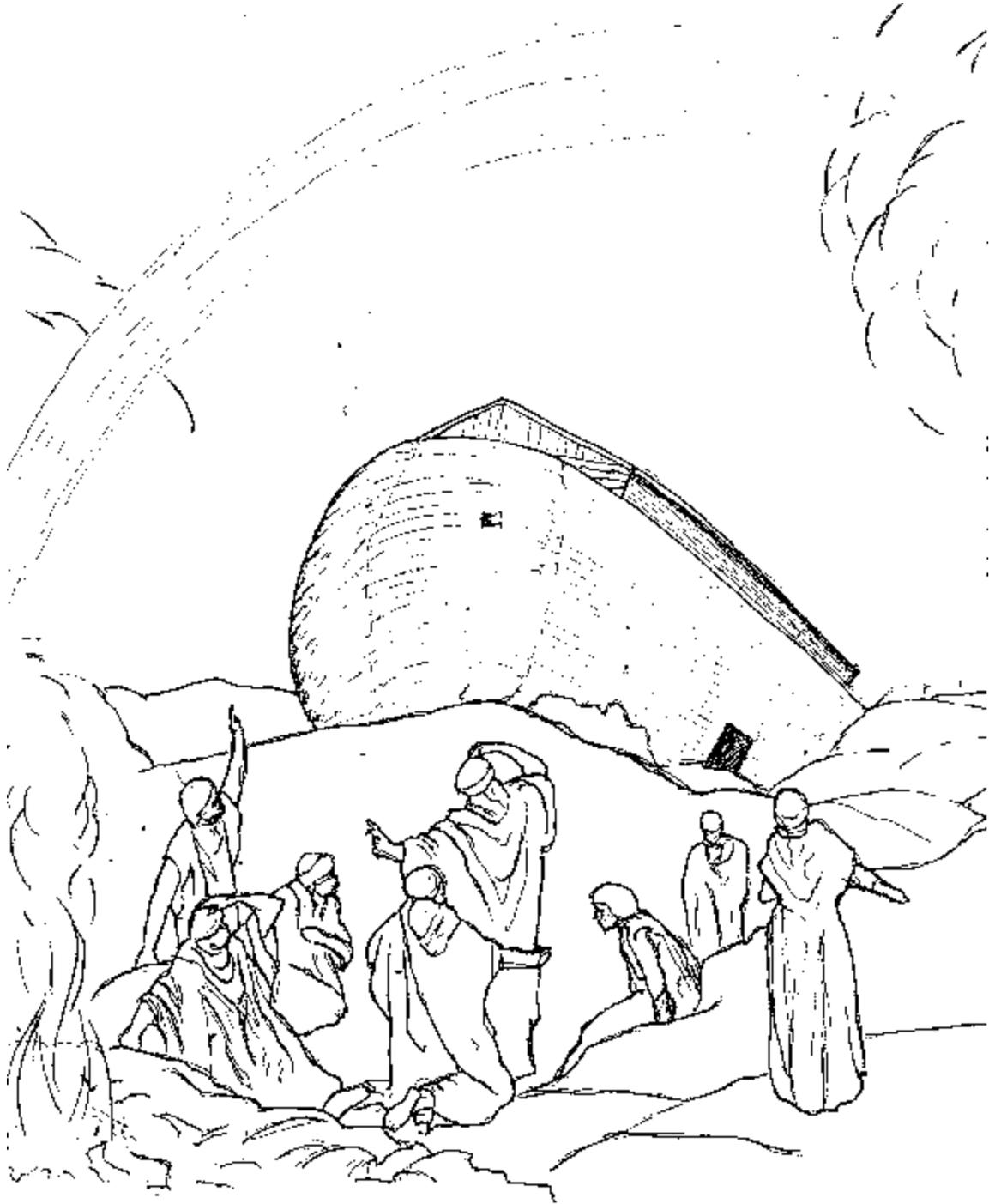


Noah & the Flood

Genesis 6-8



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



The Story

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."

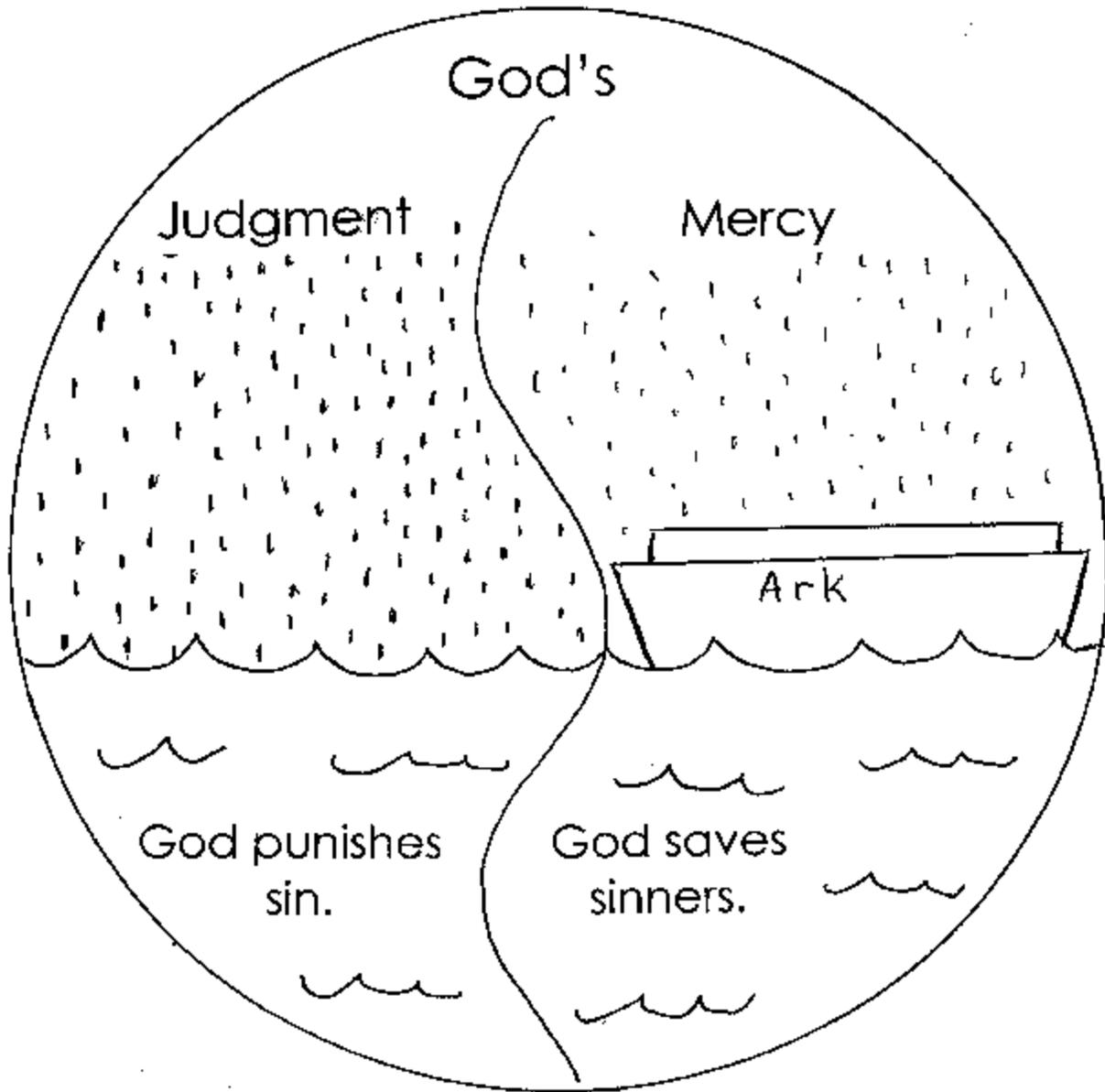
God cleansed the earth which had become corrupt and violent.

Activity One - 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.

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

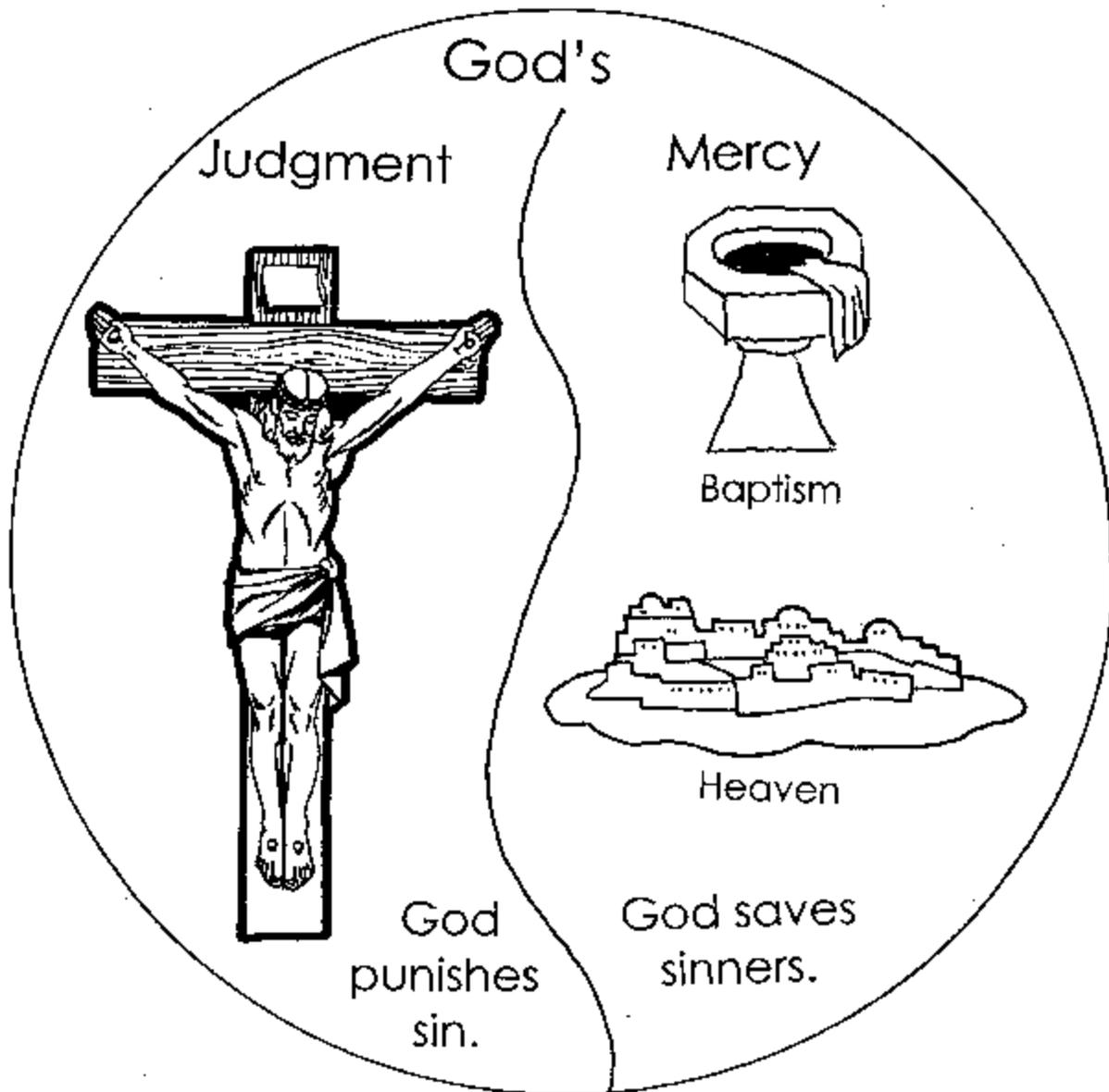
Activity Two - Color the picture below and the picture on page 5. Cut both of them out and glue them to the two sides of a paper plate. Glue a popsicle stick or string yarn to make a hanger (optional).



Passage

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

Ephesians 2:8 - For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God.



Hymn - TLH 652 v. 1

I lay my sins on Jesus, the spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us from the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus to wash my crimson stains
White in His blood most precious till not a spot remains.

Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, we see that we sin much everyday. We know that we deserve death as a punishment. Thank You for sending Jesus, whom You punished in our place on the cross. Fill our hearts with the Holy Spirit that we may learn to obey You. Thank You for giving us eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.