

NOAH AND THE FLOOD

God was very unhappy when He saw all the crime, war and pain on the earth. There was only one man who was obeying God. That man was Noah. God told Noah He was going to send a flood that would destroy every man, bird and animal on the earth. He also told Noah that He would save him and his wife and his sons and their wives. He said he would do this because Noah obeyed God. And so God told Noah to build a big ark, or ship, to save them from the Flood.



Parents: Have your child color the picture. Also ask your child what crime is and what causes crime. Explain that people should practice the way of "give" instead of "get." Your child can give by sharing toys and helping others.



Many trees had to be cut for wood to build the ark.

A frame for the ark had to be made. The ark had to be sealed with tar.

For 120 years Noah worked on the ark. For 120 years Noah told the people that God was going to send a flood because they did not obey Him. The people did not believe him.



Then one day God made the animals and birds to come to the ark. One pair of each unclean animal came and seven pairs of each clean animal came.

Parents: Explain briefly the meaning of "clean" and "unclean" animals (that it doesn't mean washed or unwashed).



God told Noah to take seven pairs of clean animals on the ark. God did this so Noah and his family would have food to eat. There would still be some of these animals left to start having babies after the Flood. These are some of the animals God says we may eat.



God told Noah to take only one pair of the unclean animals into the ark. These needed to be taken so that they could have babies after the Flood.

Parents: Explain to your child that if God had not saved some of each kind of bird and animal to repopulate the earth there would be no birds or animals today.



The people laughed at Noah as he and his family entered the ark. God shut them and the animals inside. One week later the sky grew dark and rain began to fall. Soon the ark began to float.



God made it rain 40 days and 40 nights. The ark floated on the water for 150 days. Then God sent a strong wind to make the water go down and the ark came to rest on a mountain. After being on the mountain top for forty more days, Noah sent out a dove. Soon the dove came back. After a week Noah sent the dove out again. This time it came back with a leaf in its beak. The next time Noah sent the dove out, it did not come back. This told Noah it was time to leave the ark because there was dry land.

Parents: Explain to your child in simple terms that the wind caused the water to evaporate.



Noah and his family and all the birds and animals left the ark to start a new life on the earth.



Noah was very glad to be safe and back on the land. He made an altar and gave a thank offering to God. God promised Noah that He would never destroy the earth again with a flood. As a reminder of this promise God made a rainbow. Sometimes we can see a rainbow today when it rains while the sun is shining. Do you know the colors of the rainbow?

Parents: Explain to your child that all rainbows are made up of the same colors in the same order. An easy way for them to remember the colors and their order from the largest arc to the smallest arc is to spell out the name ROY G. BIV. The letters of this name are the first letters of the colors red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet.

Do You Remember?

- 1. How many years did Noah work on the ark?
- 2. How many people were saved from drowning during the Flood?
- 3. What sign did God give to remind us of His promise not to destroy the earth again by a flood?

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Unscramble the Letters

to find words from the story

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NOAH AND THE FLOOD CROSSWORD



Across

3. What Noah gave to God after he left the ark.

5. _____ and his sons built the ark.

ASWERS: Across 3. Offering 5. Nosh Down 1. Rain 2. Dove 4. Flood

Down

- 1. God made it _____
- 40 days and 40 nights.
- 2. A bird Noah sent out of the ark.

4. God sent a _____ to destroy all life upon the earth.