

GOOD NEWS CLUB AGENDA

IN THE BEGINNING #5 – “Noah Stands Fast” Genesis 6:1 – 9:17; Hebrews 11:7; 2 Peter 2:5

WEEK OF:

MAIN TRUTH: God can help you to stand for Him no matter what others do.

TO DO AS THE CHILDREN ARRIVE:

1. Greet the children; make them feel welcome.
2. Take the attendance.
3. Listen to previous week’s memory verse.
4. Have children put money in missions bank.

PRE-SESSION ACTIVITY:

OLDER CHILD: “Actions Speak Louder Than Words!”

YOUNGER CHILD: “Noah and the Great Flood”

SONG: (2 minutes)

PRAYER: (3 minutes)

1. Prayer song: _____
2. Ask the children to share any “Thank You Prayers” or “Please Prayers” they have.
3. Teacher leads the class in “Thank You Prayers” and “Please Prayers.”

MEMORY VERSE: (7 minutes)

Genesis 6:22 – **“Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.”**

(The underlined portion of the verse indicates what the younger children should memorize.)

“**Sing It**” – After reading the verse from your Bible, explaining what it means, and repeating it at least two times, you may begin this activity. Sing to tune of “Row, Row, Row Your Boat.” (Swaying motions would add to this one.) Say “Genesis 6:22.” Sing several times.

HYMN FOR BEGINNINGS: (1 minute)

BIBLE LESSON: (20 minutes)

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COUNSEL TIME:

(If you have a helper, hostess, or Teacher Junior Grade, let them do the review time while you counsel those who responded to the invitation. Otherwise, at the end of club, be sure to remind the children who responded to the invitation to stay after club for a few minutes.)

E.O.T.O.: (2 minutes)

“**Gospel Rainbow**” – Explain how to use the Each One Tell One (E.O.T.O.). Tell them they will receive one at the end of club. Encourage them to share at the next club any opportunity they had to share the story of the “Wordless Book Rainbow.” Pray asking the Lord to help them share and use this E.O.T.O. for His glory.

LEARNING ABOUT THE BIBLE & THE OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS: (5 minutes)

Teach information for Week #17.

MISSIONARY TIME: (13 minutes)

1. Sing "God's Way" while child comes to look in the "Go and Tell" Box.
2. Share information for the "Go and Tell" Box – Week #16 and pray. (See attached page.)
3. Show goal chart and mention the amount given so far.
4. Missions song: _____
5. Story: *Until the Letter Came*. Teach the part of the story for Week #8.

REVIEW ACTIVITY: (7 minutes)

Use an activity of your choice.

Review questions for IN THE BEGINNING #5:

1. **After Enoch went to Heaven, did things get better here on Earth?** (No, they got worse. The wickedness was great.)
2. **Though the wickedness on Earth was great, God did find one man who cared about pleased Him. What was his name?** (Noah)
3. **What did God tell Noah He was going to do to destroy the sinful Earth?** (Send a flood to cover the whole Earth.)
4. **What did God tell Noah to build?** (An ark)
5. **What did Noah and his family do during the 120 years they were building the ark?** (Warning people about the coming flood, inviting them to believe God and come into the ark.)
6. **Why did people think Noah was crazy believing that a flood was coming?** (There was no ocean nearby. It had never rained before.)
7. **Once the ark was built, what else had to be brought into the ark?** (Food and the animals)
8. **How did the animals come into the ark?** (They were guided by God. They came two-by-two with 7 of certain kinds.)
9. **Who were the only ones who believed God and came into the ark?** (Noah, his wife, his sons and his son's wives)
10. **The ark was the only safe place during the flood. Who is the only One who can keep us safe from the punishment of sin?** (Jesus, trusting Him as Saviour)
11. **What did Noah and his family do first after they came out of the ark?** (Built an altar to worship God)
12. **What did God give as a sign of His promise that He would never flood the whole earth again?** (A rainbow)

*COUNSEL TIME: (*Only if you did not counsel with the children earlier.)

SEND HOME WITH THE CHILDREN:

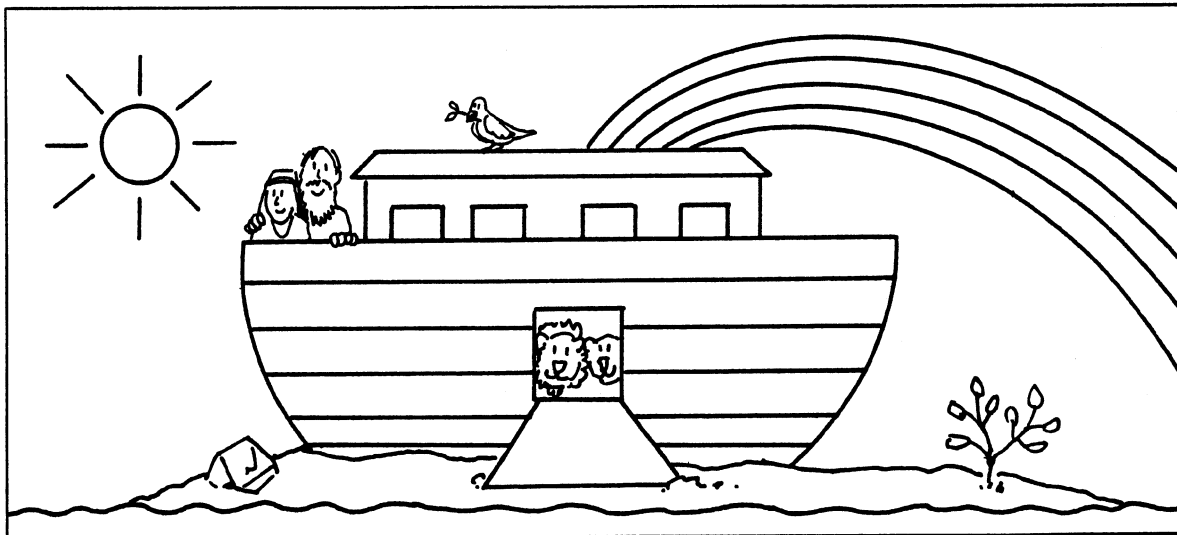
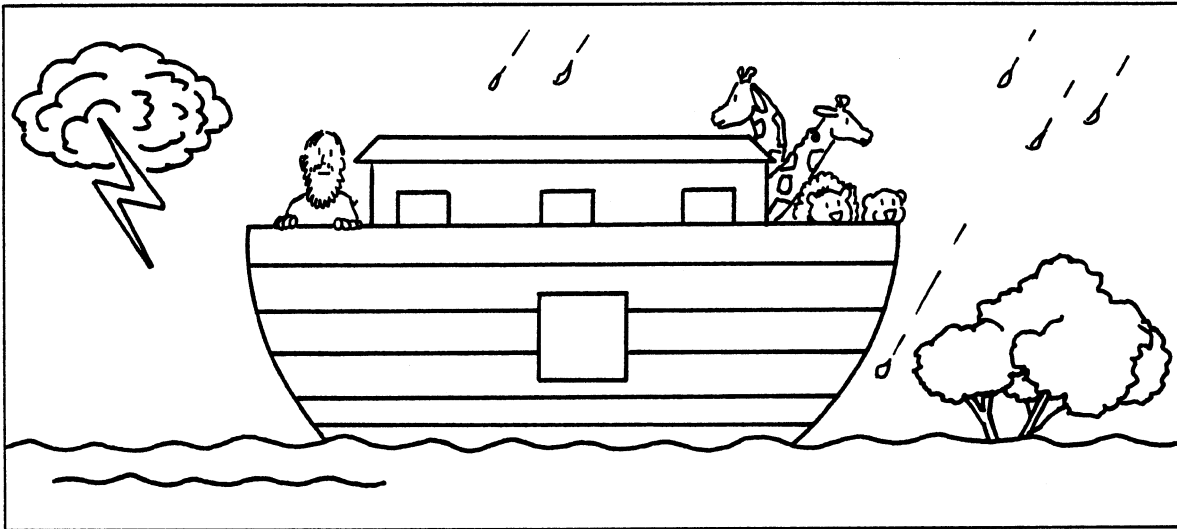
1. Pre-session papers for the older and younger child
2. Memory verse token
3. Quiet Time Notebook/Take Time Review, In the Beginning #5

PRE-SESSION, Younger Child – In the Beginning #5

Noah and the Great Flood

Noah loved God. God helped Noah, his family,
and many animals stay safe.

Circle 10 things different in the bottom picture.



**“Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.”
Genesis 6:22**

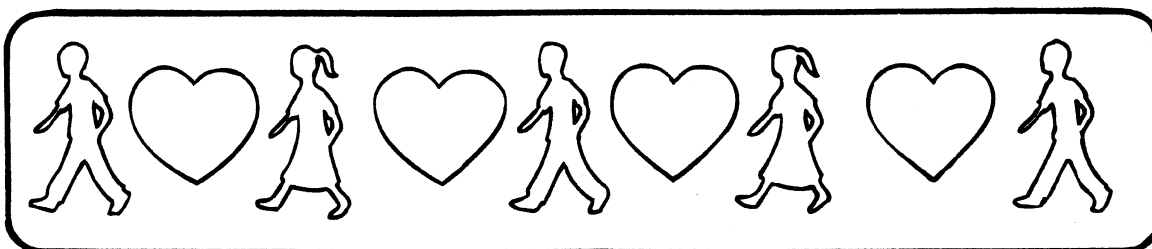
Actions Speak Louder Than Words!

One day, religious leaders scolded Jesus and His disciples for not washing their hands before they ate. But Jesus answered them by saying, "These people honor Me with their _____ but their hearts are far from Me." (See Mark 7:1-8.)

To complete what Jesus said, use a pencil to color the squares in each row of the puzzle grid as directed.

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- Row 2: A-F-I-K-M
- Row 3: A-F-I-J-K-M-N-O
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Does Your "Walk"
Match Your "Talk"?

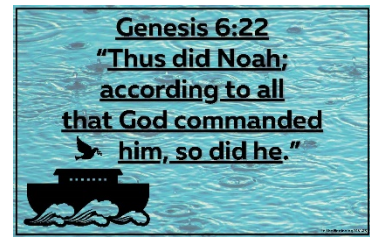
MEMORY VERSE HELPS

In the Beginning #5- "Noah Stands Fast"

Genesis 6:22

"Thus did Noah; according to all that
God commanded him, so did he."

NOTE: Teach this verse following the lesson.



Introduction:

In our lesson today God gave Noah specific instructions about the ark. Did Noah listen? Did he obey? Yes, Noah did exactly what God told him to do.

Presentation:

(Read the verse from the Bible. Then hold the flashcard for children to see and have them read the verse with you.)

Explanation:

Thus [This] did Noah according to ALL that God commanded him - Noah obeyed in every detail (let children share these details—one window, three stories, covered it all with tar, exact count of animals, etc.)

so did he - reemphasize Noah's obedience to God's instructions. He didn't just think about doing it—or talk about what a good idea it would be—he obeyed!

Application:

God wants you and me to follow His directions for us completely. We find His directions in His Word. The very first thing we must do is believe in Jesus as our Saviour. Only then can we truly obey and follow God as Noah did.

Repetition:

Sing to tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat." (Swaying motions would add to this one.) Say "Genesis 6:22."

The Great Flood of Noah's Time

GENESIS 7—8

Synopsis

After Adam and Eve yielded to temptation in Eden, sin entered the world. It grew worse as the years passed, until the time of Noah. God decided to destroy all life on earth, except Noah and his family, and a special assortment of animals and birds. After Noah spent 120 years building a big ark, he and his family entered it. Then the Flood began.

Size of the Ark

If the ark were placed on a football field, it would stretch beyond both goal posts. Since it was 450 feet long, it was about 1½ times as large as a football field from goal line to goal line. The length of the ark, 450 feet, was about 137 meters. Its width, 75 feet, was about 23 meters and its height, 45 feet, was about 14 meters.

Time of the Flood

Noah was 480 years old when God told him to build the ark. Despite his old age, he apparently had no children yet. Then, strangely, 22 years after God's order to build the ark, Shem was born. Japheth came a year later, and Ham a year after that. No other children are recorded, even though Noah lived to be 950 years old. It is interesting that the three sons grew up around the ark, from the time they were born until they were almost 100 years old, for it took 120 years for Noah to complete the ark.

Waters of the Flood

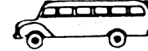
There were two sources of water for the Flood. "The springs of the great deep burst forth" suggests a mighty upheaval of the seas or great springs under the earth. "The floodgates of the heavens were opened" suggests the heavy rains which came down (Gen. 7:4, 11).

Wood and Other Materials for the Ark

Gopher wood is not mentioned anywhere else in the Bible. Some say it was cypress, pine, or cedar. Others suggest that "gopher" did not refer to the type of wood, but rather to wood covered with pitch, the substance used to seal the cracks in the ark.

SCHOOL BUS

The ark was longer than a dozen big school buses or two dozen family cars.



Special Features of the Ark

The ark had three decks. Larger animals or waste materials were probably housed on the lower deck. Living quarters were probably on the top deck, which was covered by a roof. Light and ventilation came from wide windows, 18 inches high, built all around the ark near the roof.

There was a great door in the side of the ark, so large that God Himself closed it when the Flood began (Gen. 7:16).

Purpose of the Ark

The ark had one purpose—a floating refuge for Noah, his family, and the animals during the months of the Flood. It had no sails, no oars, and no other way to power it. It had no way for Noah or his family to navigate it toward any certain place. All movement was in the hands of God.

Noah and his family within the ark are excellent examples of people totally committed to God's direction. Once in the ark, they depended completely on God to take them wherever He chose, for as long as He chose, and as fast as He chose.

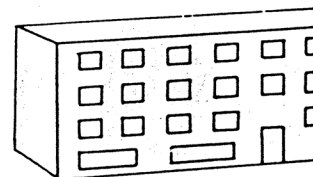
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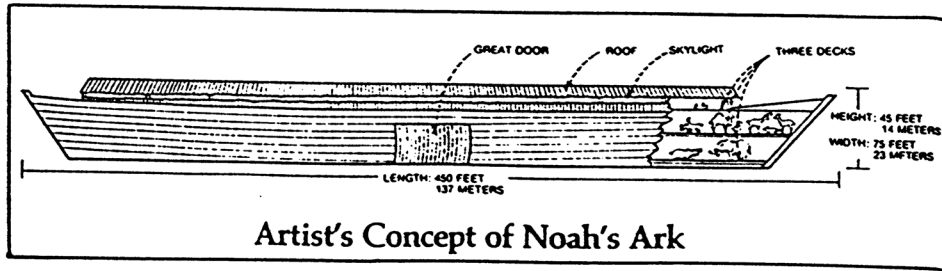
Eight people are mentioned as passengers on the ark—Noah, his wife, his three sons, Ham, Shem, and Japheth, and their three wives. No one else is mentioned. As mentioned earlier, Noah apparently had no other children, either at this point, or later. Not only that, but his three sons, though nearly a hundred years old, apparently had no children at this time. They did, however, have children later, after the Flood.

Some say that Methuselah, Noah's ancestor (possibly grandfather) died the year of the Flood, possibly as a result of the Flood, at the amazing age of 969.

SCHOOL

The ark was taller than a four-story school building.





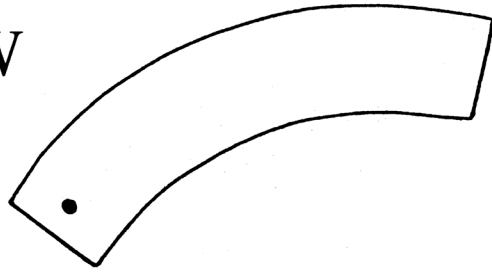
Genesis 7:6-8:19

Chronology of the Flood			
	Event	Date	Reference
Waiting in the ark 7 days (7:7, 10)	1. Noah entered the ark	Month 2, day 10	7:7-9
	2. 7 days later: Rain began falling	Month 2, day 17*	7:10-11
Water continued for 150 days (7:24)	3. 40 days later: Heavy rains stopped	Month 3, day 27	7:12
	4. 110 days later: Prevailing waters receded and the ark rested on an Ararat mountain	Month 7, day 17*	7:24; 8:4
Water receded in 150 days (8:3)	5. 74 days later: Tops of mountains visible	Month 10, day 1*	8:5
	6. 40 days later: Raven sent out, and a dove sent out and returned	Month 11, day 11*	8:6-9
	7. 7 days later: Dove sent out again and returned with a leaf	Month 11, day 18*	8:10
	8. 7 days later: Dove sent out a third time and did not return	Month 11, day 25	8:12
	9. 22 days later: Water receded	Month 12, day 17	8:3
Earth dried in 70 days	10. Noah saw dry land	Month 1, day 1*	8:13
	11. Land completely dry, and Noah exited the ark	Month 2, day 27*	8:14-19
377 days		1 year and 17 days in the ark	
*Dates specified in the Scriptures; other dates are implied.			

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THE GOSPEL RAINBOW

EACH ONE TELL ONE



by Rita L. Lobdell

You will need to cut five curved strips from colored construction paper (one each of gold, black, red, white, green) to make a rainbow. Fasten the five rainbow strips together at one end with a brad. After the children have heard the lesson on Noah, they can use this E.O.T.O. to tell the gospel message to their friends.

(Show the rainbow to a friend.) What does this look like to you? Yes, it is a rainbow of colors. This rainbow reminds me of the story about Noah. He obeyed God and built a big boat called an ark. He told the people about God and the coming judgment, but they did not believe Noah. Only Noah and his family believed what God said.

They went into the boat, and they were safe when the rain came down. Everything on earth was destroyed by the flood waters.

A little more than a year later when Noah and his family came out of the boat, they thanked God for His protection. God placed a beautiful rainbow in the sky that day as a promise that the world would never again be destroyed by water.

(Show the GOLD rainbow.) This beautiful gold color reminds me of a beautiful city of gold. It is called Heaven. There is no sickness in Heaven. No one dies there. Heaven is God's home. God is the one who created us. God loves you and me, and He wants us to live in Heaven someday with Him. Jesus said, **"In my Father's house are many mansions ... I go to prepare a place for you."** (John 14:2) Jesus is getting a place ready for you.

(Show the BLACK rainbow.) This dark color reminds me of sin. Sin is anything you do, say, or think that is not pleasing to God. When you tell a lie, you are sinning. Cheating on a test is sin. It is wrong to disobey your parents. The Bible says, **"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God"** (Romans 3:23). Because of sin, you and I cannot go to Heaven where God lives. We are separated from God.

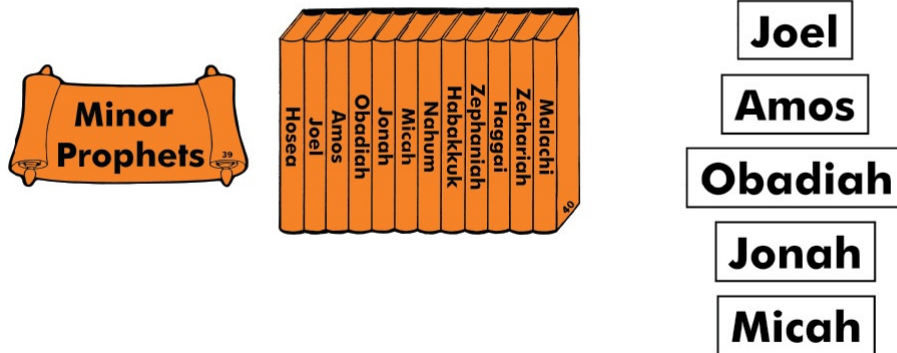
(Show the RED rainbow.) This color reminds me of Jesus, God's sinless Son. When Jesus died on the cross, He gave His precious blood to pay for our sins. Though He died, Jesus did not stay dead. Jesus arose from the dead just as He said he would. **"... Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that He was buried, and that he rose again the third day ..."** (I Corinthians 15:3,4) Jesus took our punishment so we wouldn't have to be separated from God.

(Show the WHITE rainbow.) This clean color reminds me that your sin can be taken away if you will trust Jesus to be your Saviour. We read in John 1:12, **"But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name."** Have you ever received Jesus as your Saviour? Would you like to do that right now? *(Give the children an opportunity to pray quietly.)* Jesus promises never to leave you.

(Show the GREEN rainbow.) This pretty green color reminds me of growing things. As you read the Bible and talk to God in prayer, you will grow to be more like the Lord Jesus.

LEARNING ABOUT THE BIBLE & THE OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS

WEEK #17



(Place figure #1.) Let's review the names of the first four books of the Minor Prophets: *Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah.* *(Place figures #39 and #40.)* Today, we are going to learn a little about Jonah and Micah, the next two Minor Prophets. *(Place Jonah wordstrip.)* When Jonah refused to go and preach to the wicked city of Ninevah, God had him swallowed by a great sea creature. Only after this creature spit him back out, was Jonah willing to do as God asked. *(Place Micah wordstrip.)* Micah was a country preacher and prophet. He insisted that God expected His people to live to please God. He also predicted the birth of the Messiah and Saviour, Jesus Christ, in the town of Bethlehem 700 years before it happened. Let's say the names of Jonah and Micah together. Now let's repeat the names of the first six books of the Minor Prophets: *Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah.* *(Practice several times saying the names of the five books of Law, the 12 books of History, the five books of Poetry, the five Major Prophets, and the first six Minor Prophets.)*



GO AND TELL BOX

WEEK #16 – INFORMATION ABOUT THE LUTTMANNS

INFORMATION

(Suggested item to put in the “Go and Tell” Box -Picture of Until the Letter Came.)

What do you think our lesson has to do with *going and telling*? (Let the children share their ideas.)

Last week, we learned how Mr. Tom shares with missionaries about the materials that Bible Visuals International prints. (Show their picture.) Printing material costs money, that is why it is one of Mr. Tom’s goals to make materials available online on the internet. Some missionaries are able to print materials from the internet, which is helpful to them. It saves them money and allows them to have it available immediately.

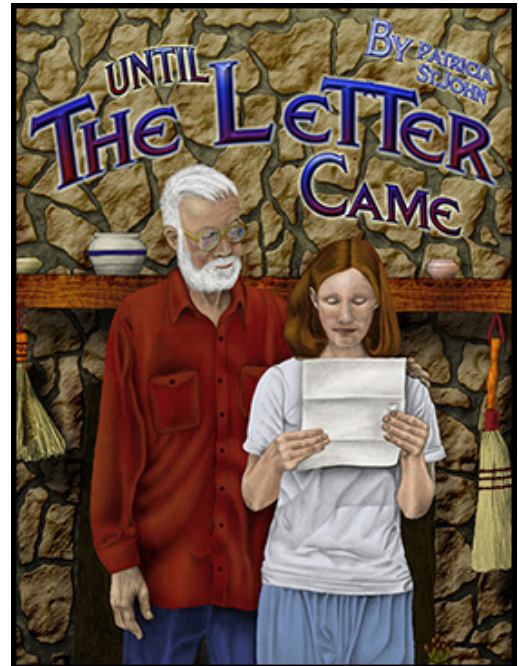
One way that Mr. Tom is doing this is by contacting churches and sharing material with them that they can use in their children’s ministry to help children learn about missions. Another way is by encouraging Christian colleges to develop a lending library that their students can use when they teach children. It is important that you and other children like you learn about missions and be encouraged to perhaps become a missionary when you grow up.

Bible Visuals International also desires to make more of the teaching materials available in bright full color visuals like our story “Until the Letter Came”. Some of their older material is just black and white copies. This is another project that takes additional money to prepare.

PRAYER

THANK God for Mr. Tom and for the ideas that God is giving him to help prepare materials that assist others to teach children.

ASK God to help each clubber earn money to give in the missionary offering so more materials can be printed and that God would help Mr. Tom tell others about the missionary materials available to them.



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help you to
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- Floodwaters rose higher and higher over all the Earth until the ark started floating on the water.
- Water kept rising until even the highest mts. were covered.
- All living things on Earth drowned in the flood.
- Only Noah and those with him in the ark were left alive.
- God was protecting Noah and his family.
- God wants to protect you too from the punishment you deserve for sin. That's why God sent Jesus.

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1 Peter 2:24 –“Who His own self bore our sins in His own body on the tree....”

- Noah/family were safe in ark, protected from the floodwaters that killed everyone else.
- After 40 days, the rain stopped. After many months, ark came to rest on top of Mt. Ararat.

- After more months of waiting, God said, “Come out of the ark.”

FLASHCARD 5-6

- Read Gen. 6:22

- Noah and his family had believed God. They stood for God, even when it wasn't easy.
- Perhaps, they looked around and saw they were only ones left

- What did they do? They built an altar for a sacrifice to God.
- Noah/family worshiped God, thanking Him keeping them safe
- God promised, “Never again will there be a flood to destroy all life on the Earth.”
- God put a rainbow in the sky as a reminder of that promise.
- God wants you to be safe from the punishment of sin. How can that happen? By believing on Jesus as your Saviour.

INVITATION

Acts 16:31 –“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved....”

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BOW HEADS

RESPONSE

CHALLENGE

MT, PAS – GOD CAN HELP YOU STAND FOR HIM NO MATTER WHAT OTHERS DO
1 Cor. 16:13 – “Watch, stand fast in the faith....”

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W – Will you do it?

In the Beginning #5

Genesis 6:1-9;17; Heb. 11:7;
 2 Peter 2:5

- The classroom teacher was called to the school office, leaving the children unattended in their class for a few minutes.
- Some kids started drawing a funny face on the board and writing silly things about the teacher.
- Jasmin and Chase knew Jesus as their Saviour. They knew they shouldn't draw a face, but everyone else was doing it.
- It's not always easy to stand out as being different. In our lesson today there is a family that stood out as different.

FLASHCARD 4-6

- Enoch was known as a man who walked with God, someone who tried to please God in everything he did.
- Enoch was now in Heaven.
- As the years went by, did more people want to walk with God and please God as Enoch had?
- No. Things didn't get better. In fact, they got way worse.

FLASHCARD 5-1

- Bible, “God saw the wickedness of man was great...and the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.”

- People were out of control in doing wicked, sinful things.
- Even their thoughts were wicked and sinful too.
- The Earth was filled with violence, and God's heart was filled with pain.
- Does God still see sin in our world today? Yes, He does.

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Jeremiah 17:9 – “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked....”

1.

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3.

- At the time of our story, the Earth was filled with sin and violence.
 - Because of the sinfulness of people, God was sorry He had made man.
 - As God was searching the Earth, looking for anyone who cared about pleasing Him...
 - ...He did find one man who cared about pleasing Him – Noah.
 - Bible, “Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.”
- FLASHCARD 5-2**
- God told Noah, “The Earth is filled with violence. I am going to destroy all these people...

- ... by bringing floodwaters to cover the entire Earth."
- God, "But for you and your wife, your sons and their wives, I have a special plan."
- God, "I want you to build an ark." Ark was a large boat.
- God told Noah exactly how to make it: kind of wood to use, how high, how wide.
- God told Noah, "Cover it with tar to make it waterproof. Put a roof on it. Put a door in the side.
- God, "When it is finished, you and your family will enter the ark to be safe, b/c I am going to destroy all life in a great flood."
- God told Noah something else. "Bring 2 of all living creatures into the ark with you, male and female. Also take food for you and all the animals."
- Would Noah trust that what God said would truly happen? Yes. Noah believed God.
- Do people today believe what God says is truth? Some do. Some don't.
- God says there is only one way for us to be safe when our life here on Earth is over.
- That way is believing on the Lord Jesus as your Saviour.

- Noah believed God's words, so he began to do as God said.
- FLASHCARD 5-3**
- Noah began to build, and build, and build.
 - This was an enormous project. It took Noah and his sons 120 years to accomplish.
 - Didn't God care about all the people who would drown in the floodwaters b/c they weren't in the ark? Yes.
 - God loved them, just as He loved Noah and his family.
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- God loved all people, so He used Noah to warn the people of the coming flood and to invite people into the ark to be saved from the coming flood.
 - Noah was a "preacher of righteousness." He preached to the people over and over.
 - But the people did not want to hear. Refused to ask forgiveness. Chose not to believe God's words of warning.
 - Instead, they thought Noah was crazy.
 - Why was Noah building a boat? Water would fall from the sky? How could that be?
 - Before this time, it had never rained on the Earth.

- Noah believed it, b/c God said so.
- Though people laughed at him, God gave Noah and his family strength to stand for God.

MT – GOD CAN HELP YOU STAND FOR HIM NO MATTER WHAT OTHERS DO

- God gave Noah and his family strength to stand for Him, even though others made fun of him.
- Noah/family continued to warn people about the coming flood for 120 year while they built ark.
- After 120 years, the ark was finished.
- Food was stored. What else needed to happen? The animals needed to be gathered!

FLASHCARD 5-4

- Noah didn't have to gather the animals. Animals came to him.
- Guided by God, the animals moved into the ark. Two of every kind, male and female.
- Plus, there were to be 7 pairs of certain kinds of animals that were used for food & sacrifice.
- Everything was now ready. Noah waited for the Lord to tell him what to do next.
- At the right time, Lord said, 'Go into the ark.'

- For 120 years Noah had warned people that the only safe place during the flood would be in the ark.

- How sad that no one else was willing to come. No one else believed God's word of warning.
- No one else wanted to stand for God.

MT, PAS – GOD CAN HELP YOU STAND FOR HIM NO MATTER WHAT OTHERS DO

1 Cor. 16:13 – "Watch, stand fast in the faith...."

- 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
- God gave Noah and his family strength to stand for Him.
 - But no one else went into the ark. Only Noah, wife, sons, sons wives were safe inside the ark.
 - Suddenly, the door of the ark closed. Noah didn't do it. Sons didn't do it. God shut the door.
 - Then it began to rain.

FLASHCARD 5-5

- It rained, rained, rained for 40 days and nights. Water also came up from the ground.