

# Noah's Ark

## Card 2

### 3 Storytelling

### 2 Read Aloud

Genesis 6:11-19

### 1 Review Activity

Pass out Card 2. Share the story.

- God looked down and saw the earth was filled with violent people; everything they thought or did was very bad. God saw that a man called Noah was the only one who was good.
- God told Noah, "I have decided to destroy all living creatures, for they have filled the earth with violence. Yes, I will wipe them all out along with the earth!" God decided he was going to send water to cover the entire earth. This is called a flood.
- Before the flood came, God told Noah exactly how to build a boat in order to save his family and the animals. Noah did everything God commanded. When Noah tried to warn the people, they did not believe him.
- God brought two of every kind of animal to Noah. Noah's family and the animals entered the ark, and God closed the door behind them.
- It rained 40 days and 40 nights. God covered the earth with water, and every person and animal left on the earth died.
- After several months, God blew on the earth to dry up the water and told Noah to come out of the ark with his family.
- Noah thanked God for saving his family by giving God a gift. God was pleased with Noah's gift and said to himself, "I will never again curse the ground because of the human race, even though everything they think or imagine is bent towards evil from childhood. I will never again destroy all living things."
- God made this promise to Noah and put a rainbow in the sky as a sign of this promise. The rainbow is for us, too. It reminds us that God doesn't want to destroy us; he wants to give us hope. Many years after Noah lived, God sent his perfect Son, Jesus, to die so that we would not have to be destroyed for the evil things we do. Now we can have a relationship with God.

### 4 Discussion Questions

1. Why did God destroy the earth? (judgement)
2. Why did God choose to save Noah and the animals? (mercy)
3. What was the promise God made? (to never again destroy all living things)

### 5 Memory Verse

Psalm 25:5

**Lead me by your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God who saves me.  
All day long I put my hope in you.**

### 6 Activity: Rain Makers

Divide into 3-4 groups where they are sitting (left, left middle, right middle, and right sides of the room). Explain that they MUST be absolutely quiet and watch you tell them what to do for this to work. Point to the left side and have them quietly rub their hands together back and forth. Then bring in the next group, and the next, until all are doing it. After the last group has joined in, go back to the first group and get them snapping their fingers, then the next group and so on. Next have them pat their hands on their legs, then stomp their feet. You can do this process in reverse, back to patting legs, and then back to snapping, back to rubbing hands, then back to silence.

## Teacher Background

Review Card Set

Scripture: Genesis 6:9-9:17,  
2 Peter 2:5

Theme: judgement

### 7 Learning Point

Making the rain sound helps us to know what it was like for Noah and his family to be in the flood. Imagine how loud it must have been but how thankful they were to be saved by God! God had mercy on Noah and delivered him when he decided to judge the world because of sin. Noah wasn't perfect, but he wanted to follow God. That is why God saved him. Like Noah, God will show you mercy from judgement if you follow him. You know you are following God if your life is changing as you learn more about God. Ask God to help you remember what the Bible says so you can follow him every day.

### 8 Review Card Set

