

Parent Take-Home Sheet Reach Community Church – Children's Ministry

THIS WEEK'S LESSON AT A GLANCE

Lesson Title: Noah & the Ark: Trusting God's Word Bible Passage(s): Genesis 6-9 Big Idea: God's Word is always true, and God provides a way of rescue for those who trust Him.

MEMORY VERSE

"By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family." (Hebrews 11:7)

Tip for Parents: Help your child understand that faith means trusting God even before we see how things will turn out. God always keeps His promises.

TODAY YOUR CHILD LEARNED...

Your child learned that the flood really happened and that God judged sin, but He also showed great mercy. God warned people ahead of time and provided the ark as a way of rescue for Noah and his family. Noah trusted God's Word and obeyed Him, even when it was hard. God kept every promise He made and showed His faithfulness by keeping Noah safe and giving the rainbow as a sign of His covenant.

WHY THIS LESSON MATTERS

This lesson teaches children that God is holy and must deal with sin, but He is also loving and patient. Before bringing judgment, God always provides a way of escape. The ark points forward to Jesus, who is God's greatest rescue. Just as Noah and his family were saved by trusting God and entering the ark, we are saved by trusting Jesus, who died on the cross and rose again so we can be forgiven and made new.

DEFENDING THE TRUTH (AT HOME)

A Question Children Often Ask: "Did the flood really happen?"

A Simple Biblical Answer: Yes. Jesus spoke about Noah and the flood as real history. God tells us the truth in His Word, and He cannot lie.

Scripture to Read Together: Matthew 24:37-39

You can also explain that scientists find fossils on mountains and sea creatures far above sea level, and people all over the world have stories about a great flood. These clues help us see that something big really happened, just as the Bible says.

TALK ABOUT IT AT HOME

Family Discussion Question: Why do you think God warned people before sending the flood?

Optional Follow-Up Question: How does God warn and help people today?

TRY THIS AS A FAMILY

Look for a rainbow together this week or draw one as a family. Talk about how the rainbow reminds us that God keeps His promises and always tells the truth.

PRAYER TO PRAY TOGETHER

"Dear God, thank You for loving us and always telling us the truth. Thank You for providing a way of rescue and for sending Jesus to save us. Help us trust You and obey Your Word. Amen."

A FINAL THOUGHT FOR PARENTS

God is at work in your child's heart. Each time your child hears God's Word, their faith is being strengthened. Even simple conversations at home help children learn to trust Jesus and understand that God's promises never fail.

OPTIONAL FAMILY RESOURCE – HIGHLY ENCOURAGED

Movie Title: The Ark and the Darkness

Link: <https://youtu.be/1sUaQAmMA8U?si=olgiTpQppnT1Q3Kd>

This is a longer documentary-style film, but it is filled with thoughtful insights about the worldwide flood, science, history, and Scripture. Parents are encouraged to watch it on their own or in sections. It can help you grow in confidence that the flood really happened and equip you to answer questions your child may ask. As you learn, you can share age-appropriate truths with your child and help them see that God's Word is true and trustworthy.