

THE GREAT FLOOD

Genesis 6–9



Adam and Eve's children and grandchildren, and their families grew until many people were in the world. But all those people were like Adam and Eve—they sinned against God. God was sad that He had made people.

Because people's hearts were so sinful, God had to judge the people for their sin. But one man was not like all the other people. Noah was a righteous man. So God decided to save Noah and his family from this punishment.

One day, God told Noah to build a big boat called an ark. God was going to punish sin by sending a flood to wipe out everything on the earth. God promised to keep Noah and his family safe. God told Noah exactly how to make the ark.

God gave Noah instructions about what animals to bring on the ark and how many. Noah did everything that God commanded. Noah filled the ark with food for his family and for the animals.

Then Noah, his family, and the animals went into the ark and God closed the door. Rain fell for 40 days and 40 nights. Every

living creature on the earth died, but Noah and his family were safe inside the floating ark.

Then the rain stopped. Finally, God sent a wind to dry out the earth, and the water started to go down. The ark came to rest on top of a mountain. Noah came out of the ark and built an altar to make an offering of thanks to the LORD. God promised Noah that He would never again send a flood over the whole earth. He put a rainbow in the clouds as a reminder of the promise.

Christ Connection: God rescued Noah and his family from the flood. The story of Noah points to an even greater rescue. God's Son, Jesus came to take the punishment for our sin. By trusting in Him, we are saved from the power of sin and death.



The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

» Write a T next to the sentences that are true from today's Bible story. Refer to the Bible story on the previous page if you need help.

- Noah was a righteous man who followed God.
- God made a covenant, or a promise, with Noah.
- Noah did not follow God's directions for building the ark.
- Rain fell for 40 days and 40 nights.
- No living creatures died in the flood.
- God said He would never send another flood to cover the earth.
- Noah closed the door of the ark.
- God sent a wind to dry out the earth.

» What does this story teach us about God?

» How did God rescue Noah and his family?

GOSPEL DISCUSSION

The Bible tells us that we all have sinned. The punishment for sin is death. But God, out of His great love for us, sent Jesus to die on the cross, taking the punishment for our sin. Now, rather than punishment, anyone who trusts in Jesus receives the free gift of eternal life. Have you accepted this free gift?



LOVE

THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

- » Why is God right to punish or judge sin?
- » How can we be saved from the punishment of sin?
- » How can we follow the Lord even when those around us don't?

CHRIST CONNECTION

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THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

» Find Psalm 104:24 in your Bible and write the words below.

» Write a prayer to God, praising Him for sending Jesus to rescue you from the punishment your sin deserves.

READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

Romans 6:23

Hebrews 11:7

Romans 5:8-9

Genesis 9:12-17

Hebrews 13:20-21

Isaiah 54:9-10