Old Testament

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One Year Plan

GOD'S WORD

Created for use with young, unchurched learners Adaptable for all ages.

OLD TESTAMENT

LESSON 4

GENESIS 6:5-9:17

Memory Verse:

Noah had faith. So he built an ark to save his family. He built it because of his great respect for God...

Because of his faith he was considered right with God.

(Hebrews 11:7 NIrV)

Lesson Goals

1. Understand that Noah obeyed God.

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- 2. Understand that God saved Noah and his family.
- 3. Recognize that the flood destroyed everything on the earth.
- 4. Learn God made the rainbow to remind us of His promise.

Prayer Time

- 1. Take a moment to listen to God.
- 2. Thank God for sending Jesus to die for our sins.
- 3. Ask God to help you obey.
- 4. Pray for friends and family members who need to follow God.

Noah

Read Genesis 6:5-22 (Hold your Bible throughout the story.)

Do You Know Jesus?

God made a promise to all of us. He sent His only Son, Jesus, for us. If we ask Him to come be a part of our lives, He will do it. (Romans 10:9-10) Would you like to know more about this forever promise? Talk to your teacher.

Application

Noah obeyed God and built an ark. When the flood waters came, God saved Noah and his family but the flood destroyed everything on the earth. Noah preached to people of his day. But they chose not to follow God. God gives us the rainbow to remind us of His promise. He allows us to choose to follow Him.

Begin With Prayer

Last week we learned about Cain and Abel. Abel gave God his best. Cain did not. Cain disobeyed and sinned against God by killing his brother. God had to punish Cain for his sin. This week we will learn about a man who did obey God. His name was Noah. God loved the people of the world, but they began loving things and people first, instead of God. God was so upset that He decided to destroy the world. (Genesis 6:5-7) However, He looked down and saw Noah. "The Lord was pleased with Noah." (Genesis 6:8 NIrV) Noah was a man who loved God. God decided to let Noah and his family live. (Genesis 6:9-13)

God told Noah to build a big boat called an ark. It was almost as big as two football fields put together! (Genesis 6:14-16)

Noah gathered lots of wood and starting building the ark. Many of the people started laughing at him because they thought he was crazy building an ark on dry land. While he was building the ark, "Noah preached the right way to live." (II Peter 2:5 NIrV) The people had time to choose to follow God while Noah was building the ark. Finally, the ark was finished.

Then, God told Noah to bring two of each animal and put them on the ark.

God said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because you have followed Me." Then God shut the door. And everyone waited.

Suddenly, the rain began to fall. The people probably started knocking on the side of the ark. "Let us in, it's starting to flood!" they might have screamed. (Genesis 6:17-22) God kept Noah and his family safe. (II Peter 2;5)

God sent the rain nonstop for 40 days and 40 nights (that's over a month!) It covered the whole earth. (Genesis 7:14-18) Then God sent a wind over the earth. After 280 days, Noah opened the window and sent a black bird, called a raven. The bird flew around, but could not find a place to land, so the bird returned to Noah. Noah sent a white dove next, but it also returned. (Genesis 8:1-9)

Noah waited a week and sent out another dove. This time the dove came back with an olive leaf in its beak. Noah knew that trees were growing on the earth. Finally Noah sent out another dove a week later, and it didn't come back. Now Noah knew it was about time to leave the ark.

God told Noah to come out of the ark. (Genesis 8:10-12) When they opened the ark, the world was beautiful. Everything was pretty and green. The animals must have been so excited to finally get back on land!

When Noah stepped on dry land, he made a special monument, an altar, to God. He thanked God for saving him and his family. (Genesis 8:13-22)

God made a promise with Noah. He told Noah that he would never destroy the world again with a flood. To make sure all people remembered that promise, God made a beautiful rainbow in the sky. It is a sign from God to promise that He will never flood the world again. (Genesis 9:8-17)

Review Questions

- 1. What did God think of Noah? (God was pleased with Noah.)
- 2. What did God tell Noah to do? (Build an ark)
- **3. What did Noah do?** (Noah obeyed God, built an ark, preached)
- 4. What did God do? (God kept Noah and his family safe during the flood.)

Next Week: Abraham; Genesis 12:1-9

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Preschool Lesson

Noah

Read Genesis 6:5-22 (Hold your Bible throughout the story.)

Memory verse for younger children:

Noah had faith. Hebrews 11:7

Teacher: Take time to sing the "Arkie song" to help the kids learn about Noah. Talk about what it means to keep a promise and examples of people who did.

You may also sing "Who Made the Beautiful Rainbow." Decorate with rainbows or color rainbows. Talk about God's promise.

God loved the people of the world, but they began loving things and people first, instead of God. God was sad. So He decided to destroy the whole world. God looked down and saw Noah. Noah was a man who loved God. God decided to let Noah and his family live.

He told Noah to build a big boat called an ark. He obeyed. Noah gathered lots of wood and started building the ark. (Make hammering sounds and motions.)

Then, God told Noah to bring two of each animal and put them on the ark. Can you name some animals that Noah must have found? (wait for answers)

God said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because you have followed Me." Then God shut the door. And everyone waited.

Suddenly, drop, drop, drippity drop, the rain began to fall. (Make motions of rain falling)

God sent the rain nonstop for 40 days and 40 nights (that's over a month!) It covered the whole earth. Then God sent a wind over the earth. After 280 days, Noah opened the window and sent a black bird, called a raven. The bird flew around, but could not find a place to land, so the bird returned to Noah. (Wrap your thumbs together and make a bird flying in the air)

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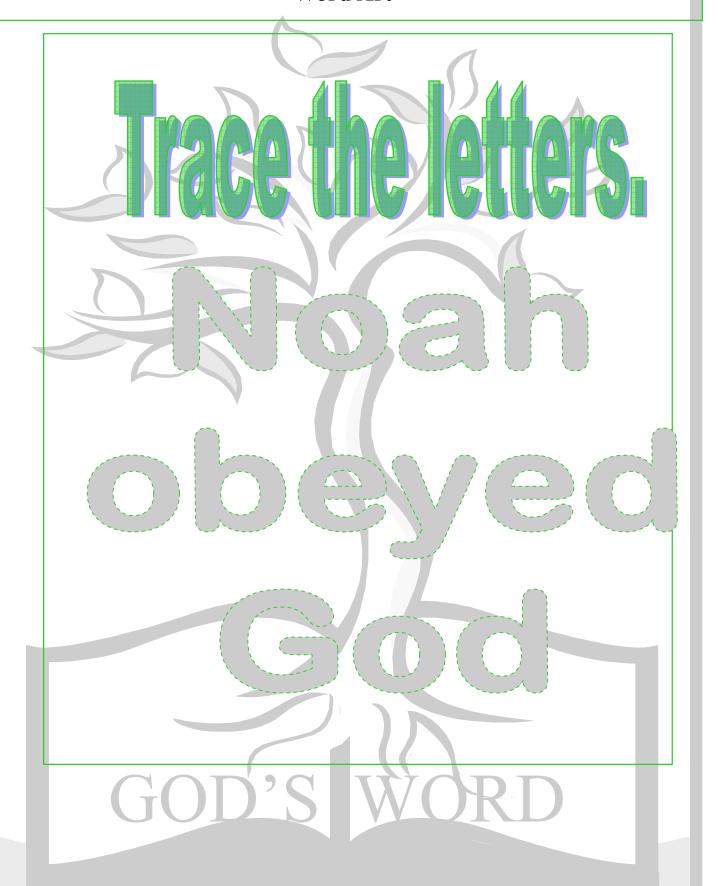
Prayer Time

- 1. Take a moment to listen to God.
- 2. Thank God for keeping His promises.
- 3. Ask God to help you obey.

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Learning Activities

- •Memory verse activity— Make an ark with a rainbow out of construction paper. Write the memory verse on the ark.
- •Test your memory— Use coloring pages (reduced size) to create memory cards of the events in Noah's life. Make two sets. Use the cards to tell the story. Allow the children to color sets of the memory cards to take home.

Taste activity— Bring olives for children to try. Tell the children the dove came back with an olive leaf (Genesis 8:11).

Put icing on a plate in the shape of a rainbow. Bring color-coated candy to create a rainbow.

Think about it — The Bible says that Noah had great respect for the Lord. Talk about respecting God and what that means. Talk about how respect is shown.

The people in the ark were safe. Talk about how God keeps us safe.

•Touch activity — Bring toy animals and an ark. Show how the animals entered in pairs.

Make rainbows by coloring on a white sheet of paper using different colors. Next color over those with a black crayon. Draw the rainbow with a pen. You will see the colors that were covered.

Take time to sing the "Arkie song" to help the kids learn about Noah. Talk about what it means to keep a promise and examples of people who did.

You may also sing "Who Made the Beautiful Rainbow." Decorate with rainbows or color rainbows. Talk about God's promise.

Make rain sticks. See the internet for ideas.

Bring coloring pictures of doves. Ask the children to color the doves.

•Run and play — Bring a large appliance box. Decorate it to look like an ark. Create two parallel openings (an entrance and an exit). Ask the children to run or crawl through the openings in pairs. As they are going through they should make animal noises.

Make a poster of an ark. Make it the safe place. Play tag. Whoever touches the ark first, is safe.

- •Listen— As the children take time for silence, remind them that God sent Jesus to save us.
- •Sing Sing "Saved, Saved," or another song related to the story.
- •Reach out During class, pray specifically for kids that did not come today. Make invitations for them to come to Bible study next week. Take several of the children with you and deliver the ark with the Bible verse. Encourage them to read the story in the Bible.

Rooted and Grounded

Pray

Ask God to show you the sin in your life.

Thank God for sending Jesus to save us from sin.

Pray for persons you know who are not saved (have not received God's forgiveness).

Pray for Bible study leaders who are telling others how to be saved (receive God's forgiveness).

Read the Bible Daily

This week read Genesis 6-9.

You may want to choose a reading plan that allows you to read through the Bible in a year. Begin today. Check the internet for ideas.

Think About It

Think about what you read. Think about what this means for you. God saved Noah and his family. Think about God's salvation for us.

Noah pleased God. Think about what you should do to please God.

Do It

Sin is not just doing wrong. Sin is also not doing what is right. God destroyed everything in the earth during Noah's time. Only Noah and his family were saved. If there is something that you need to stop doing, ask God to help you. If there is something that you need to do, ask God to help you.

If there is something you need to do to please God, ask Him to help you.

Tell About It

Talk to a friend or family member this week about how God saved Noah and his family. Then tell them how Jesus came to save us from sin.

Tell a friend about something you are doing to please God. (Praying, reading Bible, etc.) Tell them about your love for God.

Change it

Ask yourself about what needs to change in your life, your attitude, your actions. (If there is sin in your life, ask God to help you stop.)

Study it

Attend Bible study this week with a friend who doesn't attend Bible study anywhere.

Write verses on index cards that relate to your situation. (Find verses about salvation, forgiveness, safety, etc. Place the verses on your bathroom mirror or in places where you can see them daily. Memorize the verse/s.

Record It

Create a spiritual journal, write about what God is teaching you about salvation. Put a date on each entry.

Learning the Facts

Who?	Who was the main character in our story?
What?	What happened in our story?
When?	When did the event happen?
Where?	Where did the event take place?
Why?	Why did the event take place?
How?	How did the event take place?

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