

REFERENCES: GENESIS 6-9; PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, PP. 90-110.

Noah's Big Boat

Memory Verse:

"I will . . . sing about the Lord's love." PSALM 89:1, 1CB.

The Message:

I thank God for taking good care of me.

Parents:

By the end of the month you can help your child
Know that God cares for the things He has created.

Feel thankful for God's care.

Respond by thanking God for His care.



This is José. José is taking a bath in the tub. Can you see José's boat? It floats on the water. Once a man named Noah made a special boat.

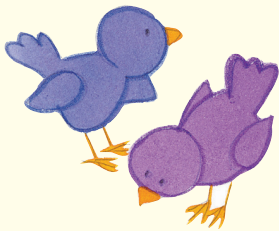
This man is Noah.
[Point to Noah.]

Noah lived a long time ago. Noah was God's special friend.

One day God told Noah, "It's going to rain and rain. Water will cover the whole world. Make a big boat. You and your family will be safe in the boat."

[Ask: Do you see the boat in the picture?]

God showed Noah just how to make the boat. [Point to the paper in Noah's hands.]







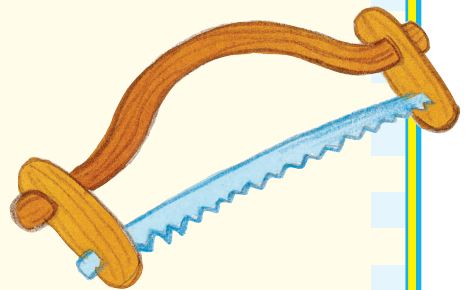


So Noah started to make the boat.

See the people?
[Find the people helping Noah.] Noah cut big boards for the boat.

This is a saw. *[Point to picture of saw below.]* Noah used a saw to cut wood. Pretend your finger is a saw. Make your saw go see-saw-see.

Mrs. Noah may have made good food to feed the hungry workers.



One day Noah's big boat was finished. Then out of the trees and forests—look! *[Point to animals coming out of the wooded area.]* Animals came walking toward Noah's big boat.

Two big lions padded to the boat. Two little rabbits hopped in. Two kangaroos jumped to the boat. Birds flew in. It was an animal parade! Angels led the animals right into the ark! *[Help your child identify and/or point to animals and make animal sounds.]*









Then Noah and his family went into the boat. God shut the door and locked it.

Rain began to fall. *[Point to the raindrops.]* Day after day it rained and rained and rained. The water outside the boat got higher and higher. But God sent angels to watch over the big boat. *[Point to the angels.]* It floated safely on top of the water.

Noah was safe inside.

Noah's wife and his children were safe.

The animals in the big boat were safe too. *[Help your child identify animals and the food they are eating—hay for elephants, horses, cows; grain for chickens and ducks, etc.]*



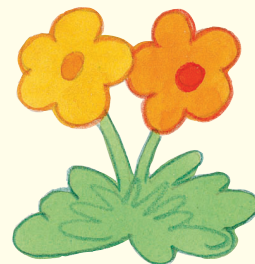






God took care of Noah's family and the animals until the earth was dry again. Then God opened the door to the ark and let Noah and his family and the animals go out.

"Look up," said Noah. "No more rain! God took good care of us. Let's thank Him."



Noah and his family thanked God for taking care of them.

Then God put a beautiful rainbow in the sky. God made the rainbow to remind us of His promise. He will never again cover all the earth with a flood.

God takes good care of us, too. Let's thank God for caring for us. *[Pray.]*





Sing the memory verse song learned in Sabbath School. (See page 42.)



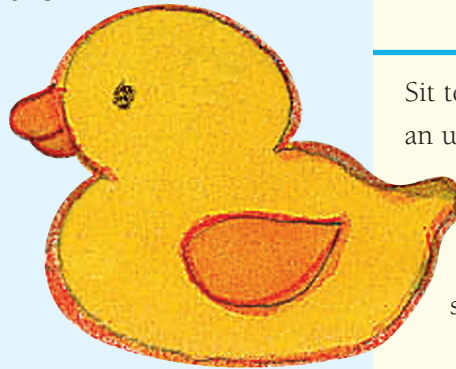
Look for pictures of places where our angels watch over us.



Find pictures of people who help protect us (firefighters, police officers, lifeguards, etc.). Thank God for people who help keep us safe.

Do & Say

Study these suggestions for something to do each day with your child. Select those that are appropriate for your child's developmental stage and repeat them often.



Name three people who take care of you and/or keep you healthy. Tell God "Thank You" for them.

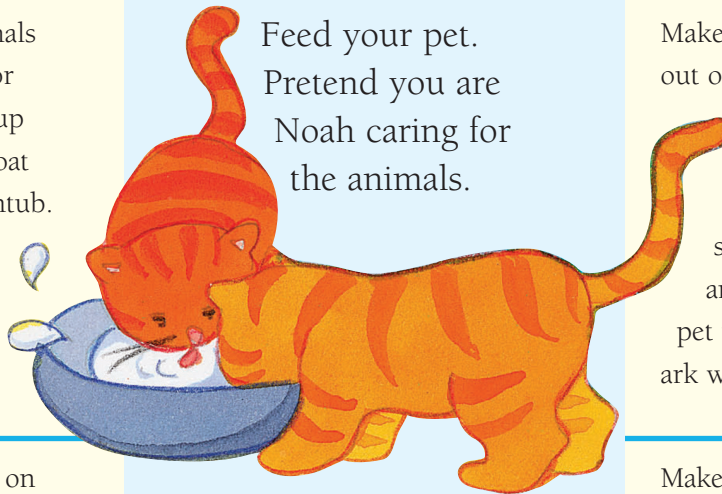
Set a clear glass of water in a sunny window. Can you see a rainbow?

Sit together under an umbrella inside. Thank God for taking care of you during storms.

Is it raining today?
Sing a song about
rain.



Put toy animals
in a plastic or
Styrofoam cup
and try to float
it in the bathtub.



Count to 40 on
your fingers and
toes. That's how
many days it
rained!

Pretend to be animals.
Stretch your neck
up tall like a giraffe.
Hop like a bunny or
a kangaroo. Buzz like
a bee. Gallop like
a pony.

Feed your pet.
Pretend you are
Noah caring for
the animals.

While riding in a car,
thank God for taking
care of you as you go.

Poke holes in the
bottom of a used
plastic bottle. Take
it outside, fill it
with water, and
watch the water
flow out. Is it like
rain?

Make an ark
out of cushions
or kitchen
chairs.
Bring toy
stuffed
animals or a
pet into the
ark with you.

Make an ark by
tying a piece of
string to a paper
cup or box and
filling it with animal
crackers. *(Have the
animal crackers for
lunch.)*