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Noah's Ark

Bible Story Lesson Plan (Ages 2-6)

<p>Books</p>	<p>GETTING STARTED Read and reread the story of Noah from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • King James Version of the Bible: Genesis, Chapters 6-9 • Other children's books about Noah's Ark <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>The Beginner's Bible for Toddlers</i> - Zonderkidz ○ <i>A Child's First Bible</i> by Kenneth N. Taylor ○ <i>Noah's Ark</i> - Christian Science Publishing Society by Jean Horton Berg ○ <i>Noah's Ark</i> illustrated by Jane Ray; words are from Genesis ○ <i>Noah's Ark</i> by Lucy Cousins ○ <i>On Noah's Ark</i> by Jan Brett ○ <i>Noah's Ark</i> by Peter Spier ○ <i>Noah's Ark</i> by Susan Collins Thoms ○ <i>Noah's Ark (Little Golden Book)</i> by Barbara Shook Hazen ○ <i>Inside Noah's Ark</i> by Charles Reasoner ○ <i>Noah's Ark</i> (Caldecott Honor Book) by Jerry Pinkney ○ <i>Noah's Ark (Baby's First Bible)</i> by Roger Priddy ○ <i>Noah's Ark Pop-up</i> by Tim Dowley and Stuart Martin 	
<p>Discussion Questions</p>	<p>What do you remember?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who did God ask to build an ark? • Why did God choose Noah to build the ark? • What is an ark? • Why did God send the flood? • What was brought onto the ark? • How long did it rain? • Why did God send a rainbow? • Does God protect us still today? <p>What lessons can we learn from Noah?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to God: "I will listen for thy voice." Hymn 304 • Be obedient to God: "You will learn that in Christian Science the first duty is to obey God . . ." 496:5-7 • Trust God: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart;" Prov 3:5 • God is always caring for us • God helps us • We don't have to be afraid because 	<p>How can we be like Noah?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray daily. • Do the right thing; be obedient. • Always listen to God. • Think independently with God. <p>What values can we learn from Noah's story?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noah was told by God to do something very specific for Him. (to build an Ark, even though it hadn't rained in a long time, and didn't look like it was going to rain.) Noah had to trust in God and do it anyway. • Noah was obedient when he heard those angel messages. He didn't forget or neglect to build the best ark he could. He went right to work. (You might use a flashcard that says "yes" on it and talk about "obedience." • The other people around were not "obedient." They were disobedient. They said "no" to God and did not do what he told them to do. They laughed and made fun of Noah and his sons.

	<p>God is always with us. "Fear thou not, for I am with thee." (Is. 41:10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be obedient to God. "The first duty is to obey God." (SH 496:5) 	<p>They mocked him and bullied him, but Noah was an independent thinker, and continued to do what God told him to do. (moral courage) Only Noah and his sons and the animals were blessed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because of Noah's obedience to God, his whole family was saved and all the animals. Noah didn't have to retrace his steps, and he wasn't punished by getting off track and having to get back on. He prayed to God, listened to what God was telling him, was obedient to God's messages, and reaped the benefits.
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Extension Activities	
<p>Language Arts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorize, "Noah walked with God." Gen. 6:9 • Ask: What does it mean to walk with God? • How do we walk with God? • Explain: Noah loved and obeyed God even when no one else would. (moral courage) • When have you expressed moral courage? • Act out the story • Game: Noah's Mixed Up Animals http://www.kidssundayschool.com/1130/preschool/noahs-mixed-up-animals.php • Story Cards: Make story cards to retell the story and understand the sequence of events • Memory Game: Make sets of cards with a different animal on each one. Turn them over and try to match the pairs. • Felt board character: Let your child tell the story in his own words using felt board characters • Print out the free downloadable mini book and have your child sequence the pages in the correct order. Make a book using the story cards and let your child give you the words to write under each picture • Learn more about animals by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Visiting the local library and checking out animal books • Visiting your local zoo; take a simple sheet with animals and check off the ones you see
<p>Science</p>	<p>Learn more about animals by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visiting the local library and checking out animal books • Visiting your local zoo; take a simple sheet with animals and check off the ones you see • Sink/Float • Pair adult plastic animals with their baby animals
<p>Math</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make patterns with the plastic animals or pictures of animals • Practice counting by twos • Make addition sentences <p>Sort animals by different criteria (two legs, four legs, feathers, fur, reptiles, mammals, etc)</p>
<p>Crafts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make a big paper ark; place animal stickers on the ark; or use a shoebox to make an ark and find plastic pairs of small plastic animals to play and retell the story • Cut a simple ark shape from brown construction paper. Glue onto blue construction paper. Laminate or cover with clear contact paper. Use as a place mat and serve animal crackers with it. • Rainbow and ark template
<p>Snacks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat animal crackers for a snack and encourage your child to find pairs • Make a rainbow fruit snack: strawberries, cantaloupe, pineapple, green grapes, blueberries, red or purple grapes. Place them on a skewer and enjoy! <p>Make rainbow bread: https://www.pinterest.com/pin/290904457158134180/</p>



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<p>Parent Resources</p>	<p><u>Article on "Obedience" by Millie Cawlfeld</u></p> <p><u>Citations from the Bible and Mrs. Eddy's works on "Obedience"</u></p> <p>Articles from the Christian Science Publishing Society related to the topic above:</p> <p>"Obedience That Blesses All Nations," by Peter J. Henniker-Heaton, <i>Christian Science Sentinel</i>, January 17, 1976</p> <p>"The Ark," by Lily M. Parham, <i>Christian Science Journal</i>, February 1921</p>