



UNIT 2, SESSION 4

# GOD'S PROMISE TO NOAH

GENESIS 9

## KEY POINTS

God takes sin seriously. • It is important to obey God. • God provides a way to save us. We can be safe in Jesus.

## BIG PICTURE QUESTION

How does God provide a way to save us? **We are saved through Jesus.**

## MEMORY VERSE

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good. **Genesis 50:20**

# PREPARE



Take time to reflect  
on today's lesson.

## LEADER BIBLE STUDY

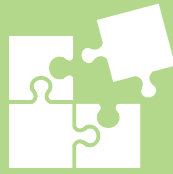
God made a great promise with a beautiful creation: the rainbow. Genesis 9:13 says, “I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.” (NIV)

When was the last time you saw a real rainbow just like the one described here in Scripture?

Noah obeyed and God kept His promise. God has blessed Noah and his sons to this day. Keeping promises is important! In Scripture we are taught, “All you need to say is simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.” (Matthew 5:37, NIV).

Think of a time you promised to do something, but you weren't able to keep your promise. We constantly fall short. But thankfully, God doesn't!

# WELCOME & OPENING



Connect with children as service starts.

## WELCOME

Play music through the undercabinet radio (flash drive), or connect your phone to Bluetooth through the radio and play Christian preschool/Bible songs as you greet children coming into the classroom. Help them transition in and feel welcome as they play games and interact with others.

## MEMORY VERSE SONG

Gather children and sing the song below to the tune of “Oh My Darling Clementine”:

You intended  
to harm me,  
but God intended it for good.  
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to harm me,  
but God intended it for good.  
Genesis 50:20

## THE LORD’S PRAYER/TEN COMMANDMENTS

Last year, we focused on learning the Lord’s Prayer. This year, our Threes and Fours classes are going to learn the Ten Commandments!

**Toddlers & Twos:** Use the provided poster to review the Lord’s Prayer with the children in your class.

**Threes & Fours:** Using the provided poster, introduce the Ten Commandments to the children in your class. Read through each one, then have children repeat after you as you say them together.

# CRAFT



Help children with a craft connected to the Bible lesson.

## CRAFT: NOAH'S ARK RAINBOW

Give each child a set of the provided ark cutouts—the ark, the rainbow, and the backdrop—and pass out crayons/markers and glue sticks. Have children color their papers and decorate them as they wish.

Help children fold and glue the papers together using the lines on the template to create the standing ark and rainbow, like the example image below. Make sure to write each child's name somewhere on their craft so they know which one to take home.



# BIBLE TIME



Review the Bible lesson with your class.

## BABIES & TWOS BIBLE LESSON

The rain stopped. Noah sent out a raven. It did not come back. Noah sent out a dove. The dove came back with a leaf.

Noah, his family, and the animals left the ark. Noah worshiped God. They saw a bright rainbow in the sky. God promised to keep them safe. Noah and his family were happy. They thanked God.

## THREES & FOURS BIBLE LESSON

Finally, after many days on the water, the rain stopped. The sun came out, and the sky was blue again. Noah wanted to see if the land was dry, so he sent a big black bird, called a raven, to find out. The raven flew back and forth. Then one day, it didn't come back.

Noah waited a bit longer, then sent out a gentle bird called a dove. The dove flew away, looking for a place to rest, but there was still too much water. So, the dove returned to the ark. After some more days, Noah sent the dove out again. This time, it came back carrying a green olive leaf. Everyone on the ark was so happy! It meant that the earth was becoming dry.

Finally, God told Noah it was time to leave the ark. Noah, his family, and all the animals came out. They saw dry land, trees, and flowers. Noah thanked God for keeping them safe. He made a special place to worship God. Then, something special happened. A big, colorful rainbow appeared in the sky. God told Noah that the rainbow was a sign. It meant God would never send such a big flood again. Every time they saw a rainbow, they remembered God's promise and felt thankful and safe.

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# SNACK & CLOSING



Continue to engage children near the end of the morning.

## SNACK & DISCUSSION

**Have everyone wash their hands, then serve a snack. Ask the following questions and retell parts of the lesson as needed.**

1. What was your favorite part of today's Bible lesson?
2. What did you learn about God in today's Bible lesson?
3. What did God put in the sky as a promise to Noah and his family?
4. How does God provide a way to save us? We are saved through Jesus.

## CLOSING ACTIVITIES

Sing the clean up song. Have children help put toys on tables.

Gather them on the rug in a circle and have one volunteer read today's Bible lesson from the children's Bible. Have a regular Bible ready as well.

Sing the "B.I.B.L.E." and "Everything in the Bible is Absolutely True" songs. Remind children that the Bible is God's Word and the most important book in the whole world!

The other volunteer should stand at the door and help with pick up, matching stickers, gathering children's things, etc.

## BEFORE YOU GO...

**Second service leaders, please clean up by doing the following:**

1. Spray down toys with disinfectant.
2. Spot sweep if needed.
3. Return toys to closet, close door.
4. Throw away any trash left on counters and in room.
5. Return storage cubes to Rm 108.

**THANK YOU FOR SERVING WITH US!**