

## NOAH AND THE ARK

### LESSON 1: NOAH OBEYS GOD

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*In this Sunday school lesson, the children learn about Noah and the ark he built according to God's instructions. The children also learn that it is very important to obey God in all things.*

#### TOPICS

Animals, Noah, Obedience

#### AS KIDS ARRIVE (10 MINUTES)

**Noah Builds the Ark (Coloring Page)** [Click here](#)

#### WORSHIP TIME (5 MINUTES)

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#### BIBLE VERSE (5 MINUTES)

**"Noah walked with God." Genesis 6:9b NKJV**

Explain to the children that Noah loved and obeyed God even when no one else would

#### BIBLE STORY (15 MINUTES)

Gather the children around you for story time. After the introduction, read the Children's version of the story. As an option, you can read the story directly from the Bible.

#### Introduction:

Listen carefully as I read a story to you, about Noah, his family, and the Ark. When I'm done, I will ask you some very interesting questions.

**Noah and All the Animals (Story)** [Click here](#)  
**(Option) Read Genesis 6:9-14**

#### Discussion Questions:

1. In our story today who was following God? (*Noah.*)
2. What did God tell Noah to build? (*An Ark.*)
3. What is an Ark? (*A boat that was very big.*)
4. Why did God tell Noah to build the Ark? (*God was going to cause a flood of water to cover the earth.*)
5. Did Noah do what God asked? (*Yes.*)
6. Why do you think it is important to obey God? (*Allow for discussion.*)

#### FUN TIME (15 MINUTES)

**Noah's Mixed Up Animals (Game)** [Click here](#)

#### ALTERNATE FUN TIME (7 MINUTES)

**Noah Matches up the Animals (Activity)** [Click here](#)

#### PRAYER/SNACK (10 MINUTES)

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Start by praying to God and thanking Him for His loving kindness. Give the children a snack of animal crackers.

#### CLOSING ACTIVITY (5-10 MINUTES)

As the children wait to be picked up, let them finish the Noah's Ark coloring pages they started at the beginning of class.

#### NEXT WEEK

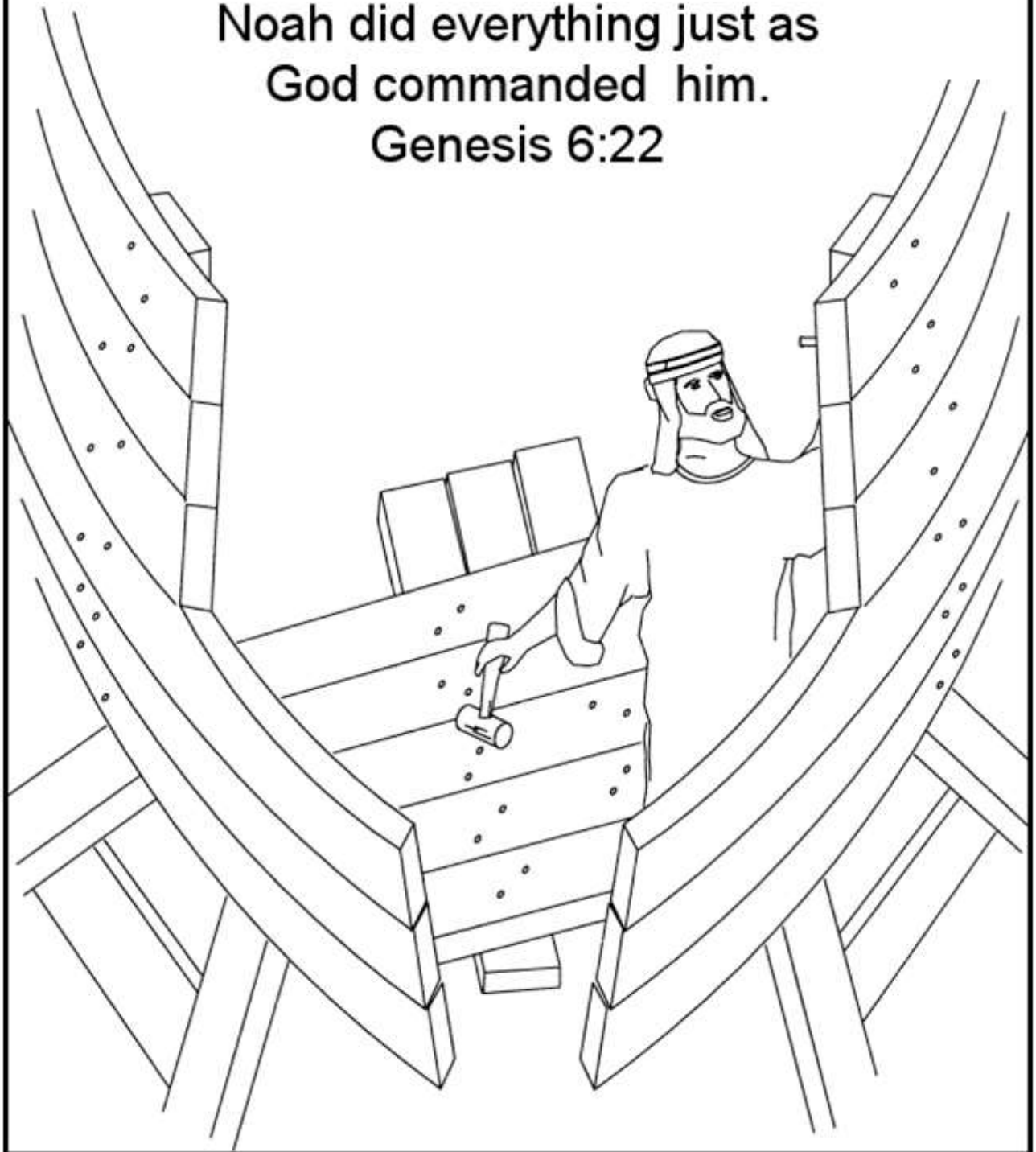
Come back next week to hear more about Noah and the big job God gave him.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON TAKE HOME PAGE

Give one copy to each child at the end of the class to take home [PDF]. [Click here](#)

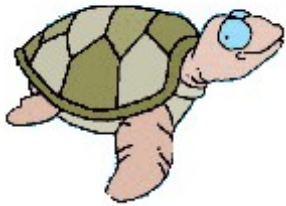
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Noah did everything just as  
God commanded him.  
Genesis 6:22



# Help Noah pair up the animals

Draw a line connecting each animal pair.



## NOAH MATCHES UP THE ANIMALS

*Children help Noah pair up the animals with this fun activity.*

### TOPICS:

Animals, Noah, Protection

### MATERIALS:

Activity sheet for each child [click here](#)

Crayons

### DURATION:

Approximately 7 minutes

### PREPARATION:

Before class, print enough copies of the worksheet so there will be one for each child.



### WHAT YOU WILL DO:

First, read the story of Noah's Ark from the Bible or from a children's storybook Bible. Then, hand out the activity sheets and the crayons. Next, tell the children that they are going to help Noah pair up the animals by drawing different colored lines connecting animals that look the same.

Pair up the giraffes using a red crayon. Pair up the turtles using a blue crayon. Pair up the lions using a green crayon. Pair the monkeys up using a yellow crayon and finally pair up the hippos using a black crayon.

As the children are working on their activity sheets ask them questions about Noah and the animals.

- 1) Where did Noah get the instructions on how to build the Ark?
- 2) Was it a big job or a little job to build the Ark?
- 3) Do you think Noah or any of the animals were scared of the upcoming flood?
- 4) Do you think Noah, his family and all the animals were calm because they knew God would take care of them?
- 5) Today, we read a story about how God protected Noah many years ago. Does God still protect us today?

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## NOAH AND ALL THE ANIMALS

**A story that will capture the children's attention and hearts!**

For additional ideas to techniques to enhance telling a story, [click here](#)

### TOPICS:

Animals, Listening, Noah, Obedience, Protection

### MATERIALS:

Miniature plastic animals

Faces of Mr. and Mrs. Noah [Click here](#)

### DURATION:

Approximately 10 minutes



Once there was an old man who had a veeery loong beard. He was the only nice person in the whole neighborhood. He worshipped and obeyed God all the time. Then one day, God spoke to him.

"Noah, you know what? I'm tired of all your neighbors being so selfish and mean. They don't even know how to share or take care of other people who are poor. They just think about themselves all the time. I tell you what. I would like you to have a new neighborhood, and this is what I am going to do. I will take you to a new place in an ark, because I like you. I will make it rain for forty days and forty nights. There will be a great flood, but you and your family and all the animals will be safe."

Noah was surprised and asked, "What's an ark?"

God replied, "It's like a boat, but very big. You will have to make it. (As you read the next line, make long steps from one side of the room to the other) It should be wide, and this long, (Then jump and stretch your arm to the ceiling) and this tall. You also have to make it out of very special wood. And you have to do this right away!"

Noah squinted and looked at the sky. "Oh, oh!", he said. "I better get going! Mrs. Noah! Mrs. Noah! We need to have food, blankets and hay for the animals. God said it is going to rain for a long, long, long time. There will be a great flood, so hurry!"

"But how will we live through a great flood?" Mrs. Noah asked.

Noah said, "It's ok. I'm going to build an ark so our family and all the animals will be safe in it. So hurry and make all the preparations."

Mrs. Noah asked, "What is an ark?"

"You'll know what it is when it's done," Noah replied.

And so Noah built his ark. It was so long, and so wide and so tall. It had a window and a big huge door. All of his neighbors laughed at him. "What's that silly thing Noah is making?" they would ask. "It looks enormous, and like a boat, but there are no oceans or rivers in sight. No water anywhere." And they kept on laughing.

Noah finally finished the ark and as soon as he did, the clouds started to cover the sun. He heard God's voice again, "Noah, it's time to go!"

So Noah gathered up the animals, two dogs, two cats, two lions, and two rats. He gathered two tigers, two bears, two of every animal in sight. After everyone was inside, God closed the door.

Inside the boat, Noah's family could see how the sky was getting darker and darker. It became scary and quiet. Then, Noah heard it. A drop, then a second drop, then a third, then another and another, and they came faster and faster, and bigger and louder. After a few minutes, it became a huge storm. The dry land started to get soaked in water. It rained and rained without stopping. After two days of rain, the ark started to float and still the rain kept pouring down. Soon the ark was in the middle of a large ocean. It rained more and more without stopping, for forty days and forty nights. Just like God said it would.

Then suddenly, it stopped! The sun began to shine, so Noah sent out a raven but it just flew back and forth until the water dried up. He waited a few more days and sent out a dove. The dove could not find dry land and came back to the Ark. Seven days later, Noah sent the dove out again, this time it came back with a leaf in its beak. Then he sent the dove out again. Noah waited for many days but the dove never came back.

"Wow, the storm must really be over!" Noah cried. "I think it's safe to come out now."

"Finally," shouted one of Noah's sons, "The animals are starting to stink up the place."

"Alright then, let's open the door and go out."

Noah and his family and all the animals marched out from the ark to dry land. There was no one else around. Then Noah realized, "so this is the new neighborhood God was talking about." He had a lot of work to do.

"We better get started," said Mrs. Noah.

"Yes, but first things first," Noah said, "We need to give God an offering to show him how thankful we are for saving us from the flood." So Noah gave God an offering, and God was very, very pleased with him.

**THE END**

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