

Child's Name: _____

Genesis 8:1-19

¹ But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters receded. ² Now the springs of the deep and the floodgates of the heavens had been closed, and the rain had stopped falling from the sky. ³ The water receded steadily from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the water had gone down, ⁴ and on the seventeenth day of the seventh month the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. ⁵ The waters continued to recede until the tenth month, and on the first day of the tenth month the tops of the mountains became visible.

⁶ After forty days Noah opened the window he had made in the ark ⁷ and sent out a raven, and it kept flying back and forth until the water had dried up from the earth. ⁸ Then he sent out a dove to see if the water had receded from the surface of the ground. ⁹ But the dove could find no place to set its feet because there was water over all the surface of the earth; so it returned to Noah in the ark. He reached out his hand and took the dove and brought it back to himself in the ark. ¹⁰ He waited seven more days and again sent out the dove from the ark. ¹¹ When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf! Then Noah knew that the water had receded from the earth. ¹² He waited seven more days and sent the dove out again, but this time it did not return to him.

¹³ By the first day of the first month of Noah's six hundred and first year, the water had dried up from the earth. Noah then removed the covering from the ark and saw that the surface of the ground was dry. ¹⁴ By the twenty-seventh day of the second month the earth was completely dry.

¹⁵ Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶ "Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives. ¹⁷ Bring out every kind of living creature that is with you—the birds, the animals, and all the creatures that move along the ground—so they can multiply on the earth and be fruitful and increase in number upon it."

¹⁸ So Noah came out, together with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. ¹⁹ All the animals and all the creatures that move along the ground and all the birds—everything that moves on the earth came out of the ark, one kind after another.



LOWER ELEMENTARY
LEVEL 3
HOME JOURNAL

LESSON 31



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

What can we trust in times of trouble?

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 18:2

*(The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;
my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge.) He is my
shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.*

Thinking It Through

Level 3—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of the child, or parent preference, the child may do the work in this journal independently or read with and dictate an answer to the parent. After reading the day’s rhyme and the Bible verse, the child should draw a picture that relates to that day’s reading and answer the question at the bottom of the page. Have the child answer questions about the day’s reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week’s big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory. Depending on the age and/or ability of the child, either the whole verse or the part of the verse between brackets on the cover can be memorized.
- **Concluding Lesson:** The parent should discuss with the child the **Thinking it Through** questions: What important truth did you learn this week? How can you apply that truth in your life? After discussing the questions the child should write down (or dictate to the parent) the answers and a prayer at the end of the booklet. The child can then complete the other activities.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day’s work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn’t always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

The important truth I learned this week is:

I can apply that truth by:

My prayer to God is:

Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: Where did the water that flooded the earth come from? What happened after the rain stopped?

Day 2: Where did the ark finally come to rest? What does it mean to be steadfast? How was Noah steadfast?

Day 3: What did Noah know about God? What did knowing that do for Noah?

Day 4: What happened when Noah sent a dove out? What does abate mean? Why did Noah know the water would abate?

Day 5: What happened the second time the dove was sent out? Why would that have thrilled Noah and his family?

Day 6: What does it mean to disembark? Who came off the ark when the land was dry? What do you think happened then?

Concluding Lesson

Review: What happened after the rain stopped? Where did the ark finally come to rest? What happened when Noah sent a dove out the first time? What happened when Noah sent a dove out the second time?

Prayer: Thank God that he is faithful and will do all that he has promised. Pray that you would learn to wait for God to do things in his time and in his way like Noah did.

Application: What would it have been like to be on the ark for an entire year? What do you think Noah and his family did on the ark? What do you think they talked about?

Thinking It Through: Have the child write or dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson, how he/she can apply that truth, and a prayer to God.

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What can we trust in times of trouble?



We can always trust that God is our rock and keeps us safe.

Day 1

Draw a picture of the ark floating on the water.

Noah and his family
in the ark were safely found
While water poured from heaven
and came up from the ground.
Once the rain did stop,
God caused a wind to blow.
The water into basins,
it did have to flow.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 7:24-8:1: ²⁴ The waters flooded the earth for a hundred and fifty days. ¹ But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters receded.

Day 6

Draw a picture of animals coming off the ark.

The sun was shining brightly
way up in the sky
So it wasn't too much longer
before the earth was dry.
The time had come to disembark
and leave the ark behind,
Noah and his family,
and the animals of each kind.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 8:15-17: ¹⁵ Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶ "Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives. ¹⁷ Bring out every kind of living creature that is with you—the birds, the animals, and all the creatures that move along the ground—so they can multiply on the earth and be fruitful and increase in number upon it."

Day 5 Draw a picture of a dove with a branch.

A second time the dove was sent;
it flew all around
Would it find a place to rest?
Would it find dry ground?
When the dove came back,
it had a leaf inside its bill.
Noah and his fam-i-ly
must have felt a thrill.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 8:10-11: ¹⁰ He waited seven more days and again sent out the dove from the ark. ¹¹ When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf! Then Noah knew that the water had receded from the earth.

Day 2 Draw a picture of the ark resting on a mountain.

The ark was tossed around;
it moved both east and west
Until on the Mount of Ararat,
it finally came to rest.
Noah's heart was steadfast
and faithful he was found,
He had waited patiently,
while the flood covered the ground

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 8:3-4: ³ The water receded steadily from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the water had gone down, ⁴ and on the seventeenth day of the seventh month the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.

Day 3

Draw a picture of a mountain.

The mountains pushed up high;
the ocean floor did sink.
I wonder as he waited,
what Noah's mind did think.
Noah knew that God was with him,
as God is everywhere.
So even through the flood,
he surely felt God's love and care.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 8:5:⁵ The waters continued to recede until the tenth month, and on the first day of the tenth month the tops of the mountains became visible.

Day 4

Draw a picture of a dove.

Then a window Noah opened
so a dove could be sent out.
But it found no place to rest;
it could only fly about.
So Noah and his family
still would have to wait.
Knowing that the water
at some time would abate.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 8:8-9:⁸ Then he sent out a dove to see if the water had receded from the surface of the ground.⁹ But the dove could find no place to set its feet because there was water over all the surface of the earth; so it returned to Noah in the ark. He reached out his hand and took the dove and brought it back to himself in the ark.