

A New Start And God's Promises

Lesson 7

Key Word: New

Main Memory Verse:

Genesis 7:5 "And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him."

Lesson Verses:

2Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

2Corinthians 7:1 "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

Lesson Goal:

To challenge children to stay close to God and stay pure inside after getting saved.

- It rained constantly for 40 days and nights
- The waters covered the land for 150 days
- The ark could not be steered it was at the mercy of God
- But it wasn't dry enough and safe enough to come off the Ark until 371 days had past
- The ark rested on a mountain range called Ararat

God wants to trust and worship Him

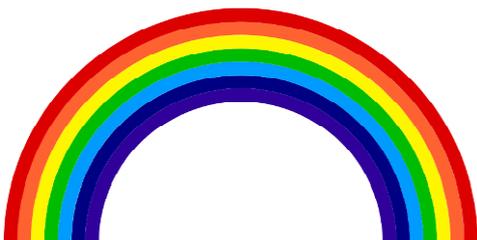
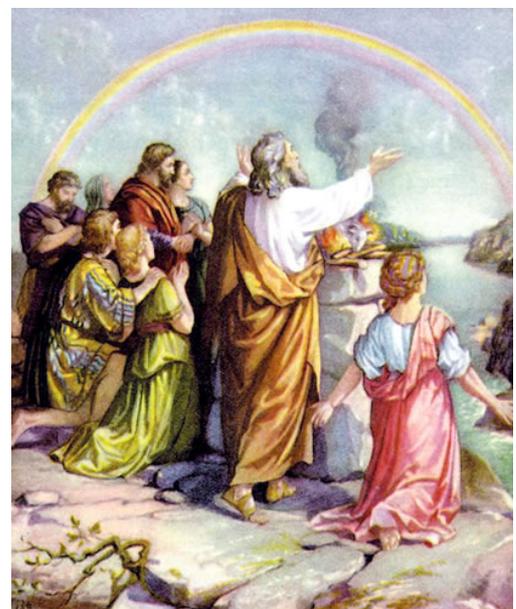
- The Ark is finished – rested on Mt Arrat
- Learn the meaning of the dove
- The animals go out
- Noah and his family start fresh
- We can sacrifice some things to God: Rom 12:1,2; Eph 5:1,2; 1Pet 2:5; Heb 13:15

God lets us start over

God makes many promises

The meaning of the rainbow

God expects us to do better



A New Start

Genesis 9

I. Background and Review

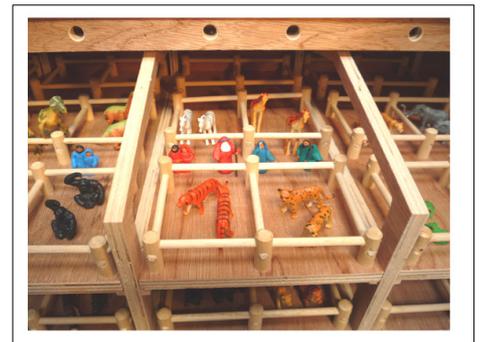
A. Still Waiting – God's timing is different than our own – be patient

1. Noah and his family have been on the Ark for months now
2. It has stopped raining, but there is still water everywhere – it was one big ocean – not place to land and live yet
3. Everyone, including the animals are ready to get off the Ark, but there is no place to go yet
4. But the waters were going down – slowly, something was happening
5. And Noah and his family were excited about what God was doing!
6. They slowly saw some Mountains Appear – but it is still too wet!



B. So Noah Sends Forth Two Birds – a Raven and a Dove

1. Raven goes out and doesn't come back
2. The dove returns with an olive branch in its mouth – grass and trees are growing again!
3. Discovers it is SAFE to get off the ark



C. It's time to Start Over!

II. Lesson Verse

- A. 2Corinthians 5:17 **“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”**
- B. Old things are passed away – what does that mean? All the past, and the sinfulness, and the old world are dead and gone
- C. All things are become new! Brand new, like a new bike, a new house, like a new baby – a new heart!
- D. That's what happens when we get born again!
- E. You start ALL over - Just like with Noah!



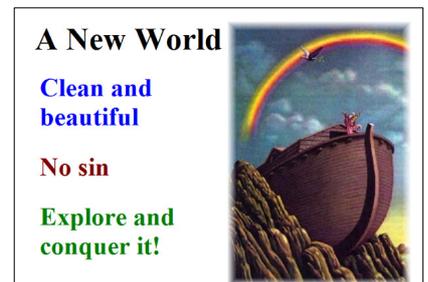
2 Corinthians 5:17

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III. Lesson

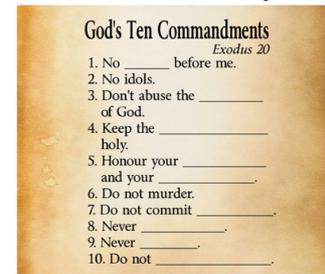
A. A New World

1. Clean and beautiful
2. No sin
3. Explore and conquer every inch of it – climb every mountain, sail every ocean



B. New Laws and Responsibilities

1. Make sure you fear God and do things His way
2. Obey the government – the Garda, the Taoiseach – we need them to keep us safe
3. People go to jail and prison because they are bad people
4. The reason why the world was so wicked before the flood was because everyone did what they wanted and no one got in trouble
5. I'm glad some people get into trouble! I mean, get caught stealing, lying, killing – so that they get punished so that we can be safe
6. That's why God wrote His laws!

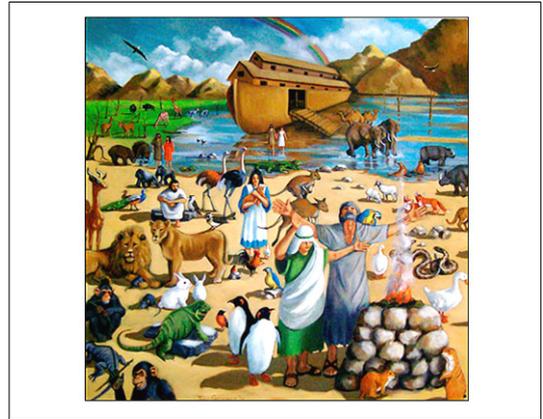
New Rules to Live By**C. A New Promise**

1. God promised Noah to never flood the world again
 - a. Gen 9:11 And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.
2. God promised to put a rainbow in the sky to **remind us** of His promise...
 - a. Gen 9:12 And God said, This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations:
 - b. Gen 9:13 I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.
 - c. Gen 9:14 And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud:
 - d. Gen 9:15 And I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.
3. Every rainbow even reminds **God** of His promise!
 - a. Gen 9:16 And the bow shall be in the cloud; **and I will look upon it, that I may remember** the everlasting covenant (promise) between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth.
4. God does however say that He will one day have to destroy the world again, but not with water, but with fire
 - a. 2Pe 3:6,7 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, ... [are] reserved unto fire against the day of judgment!
 - b. That's why I get saved from the wrath to come!



D. New Altar – Worshipped God

1. They stopped all the celebrations and built a simple stone altar to worship God
2. An altar is for sacrifices of our best to God
3. Noah took the best lambs, and the best of all the animals, and gave them to God
4. Because HE had given them salvation!
5. We can sacrifice some things too – like what?
 - a. Our lives – do His will instead of only wanting to do our own
 - b. Our time – in front of the TV, spend time with God in His Bible!
 - c. Our money
 - d. Our best – would you give away an old bike, or your new bike?



IV. Application

- A. **Trust Jesus Christ** – through every hard time, and to get you home to heaven! Do you trust Jesus to do that? Have you asked Jesus to SAVE you? To come into your heart and forgive you of ALL your sins?
- B. **Wait on God.** Not much happens quickly with God. Be patient. Stay where you are until he tells you to go somewhere! We will reach heaven some day soon enough!
- C. **Start Fresh and New Every Day**
 1. Worship God First
 2. Thank God every day – for saving you if you have trusted Jesus to save you from hell
 3. Lam 3:22,23 It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

What should EVERYBODY Do?

A. Trust Jesus Christ
B. Wait on God
C. Start NEW Every Day

Worship God
Thank God

D. Always obey God and His laws

D. Decide to always obey God and obey His laws

V. Next Week – Final Bible Club! And Awards!

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And Shop!