

The Beginning of Judgment and Rescue

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STUDY TEXT: GENESIS 6:5-22; 8:15-22

Discuss the following BIG IDEAs and how to apply them to life. Use the questions to spark discussion.

Big Idea 1: God Judges Sin ([Genesis 6:5-7](#))

Live It Out: Thank God that He is both perfectly holy and perfectly loving. Ask Him to reveal any areas where you need to turn from sin and trust Him more fully.

- *What does Genesis 6:5 teach us about the seriousness and spread of sin?*
- *Why is it important to understand that God is both holy and loving?*
- *How should God's hatred of sin shape the way we view our own sin today?*

Big Idea 2: God Provides a Way of Rescue ([Genesis 6:8-22](#))

Live It Out: Trust God's wisdom, even when you do not fully understand His instructions or His timing.

- *Why is it sometimes difficult to trust God's instructions when they don't make sense to us?*
- *What does the ark teach us about God's grace and His desire to rescue people?*

Live It Out: Respond to God's grace with faithful obedience, trusting that His commands are always for your good.

- *Why do you think Noah was willing to obey God's instructions, even though he had never experienced a flood before?*
- *What is one area where God is calling you to trust and obey Him more fully?*

Big Idea 3: God Is Faithful to His Promises ([Genesis 8:15-22](#))

Live It Out: Respond to God's faithfulness with worship, trusting that He will keep every promise He has made.

- *Why do you think Noah's first response after leaving the ark was worship?*
- *What does God's promise in Genesis 8:21-22 teach us about His character?*
- *How have you experienced God's faithfulness during a season of waiting or uncertainty?*
- *What are some practical ways we can make worship our first response to God's faithfulness rather than our last resort?*

 WORK TOGETHER TO MEMORIZE THE FAMILY SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

Genesis 1:1

Build a Foundation

Discussion questions for elementary age students

1. *Why did God send the Flood and why did He choose to rescue Noah and his family?*
2. *What do you think Noah and his family learned about God during the Flood?*
3. *How did God show His mercy and faithfulness in Noah's story?*

Faith Connections

Play a round of Categories using the animals that Noah might have taken on the ark. The first person will say an animal that begins with the letter "A" (aardvark, ant, antelope, etc.). The next person will say an animal that begins with the letter "B" (baboon, bat, bobcat, etc.). Continue through the alphabet.

Stand Strong
How could a loving God judge the world with a flood?

Answer: The flood shows both God's justice and His mercy. Human wickedness had become widespread, and God judged sin because He is holy and righteous. Yet He also provided a way of rescue through Noah and the ark. There was even room for more people. God's love does not ignore evil; it confronts it. The flood reminds us that God judges sin, but He also provides salvation for those who trust Him.

Scripture: Genesis 6:5-8; 1 Peter 3:20-21

Preschool Highlights

Today your child learned on day five of Creation, God made the fish and other water creatures to live in the water and birds to fly in the sky. On day six, God made all the animals that live on the land. He also made the first man and woman, Adam and Eve. Every day, after God was done creating, He saw it was good.

God Made Everything.



Build a home where God's holiness, grace, and faithfulness are regularly taught and celebrated. Help your family understand the seriousness of sin and the rescue God provides. Respond together with gratitude and worship.