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Lesson 14

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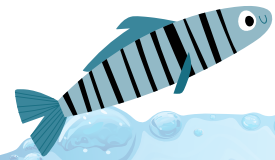
Draw it!



Draw a picture of Noah and his ark. Write on the ark some different ways that God wants you to obey Him. Quietly ask God to give you the strength to obey Him.

Journal it!

Make a list of the people that God has placed in your life that you need to obey. Next to their names write ways that you can obey them better.



Noah and the Flood

BIG IDEA: God is good, so I can obey Him even when it's hard.

BIBLE BASIS: Genesis 6:5-9:17

KEY VERSE: "If you love me, you will obey what I command." John 14:15 (NIV)

This week
we learned



Read it!

Genesis 6-8. Write down parts of this story that you find interesting. What would you like to know more about?

Pray it!

Are there times when you aren't obeying God the way that you should? Write a prayer telling God that you are sorry for those times.



God Chooses Abraham

BIG IDEA: God keeps His promises, so I can wait patiently for Him.

BIBLE BASIS: Genesis 15:1-6, 17:1-8, 18:1-19, 21:1-6

KEY VERSE: "The Lord is faithful and will keep all of his promises. He is loving toward everything he has made." Psalm 145:13b (NIRV)



GROUP ACTIVITY

This activity can be used in a small group at church or even with your kids at home!

Do You Have the Strength to Obey?

Say: During Large Group, we talked about how it can be hard to obey on your own sometimes. Fortunately, as we learned, “God remembers us.” He doesn’t just ask us to obey and then leave us on our own. He’s right by our side, giving us the strength to do what He tells us. We’re going to do an activity right now that’s going to help us experience what that’s like.

Directions: Give each kid in the group a rock. Tell them that the rock represents something they have a hard time obeying. Ask them to think quietly for a moment what that is for them. It might also be helpful to have them think about the times they most often get into trouble. That’s usually an indication that they’re struggling to obey. Once they’ve had a moment to think about what that is for them, ask them to hold their rock out one at a time and tell the group what it is.

When everyone who wants to share has had a chance, direct the kids to clutch their rock in their fist and then hold their arm straight out into the middle of the circle. Challenge them to hold their arm like that for as long as they can. They cannot use anything to prop their arm up. After a minute or two, you will see that the kids are beginning to struggle. As they struggle say the following:

Say: Sometimes obeying without any help can be really hard, but like I said before, we’re not alone. God is always with us. He gives us the strength to obey Him.

Directions: Tell the kids they can now use their other hand to help them hold their arm up. Tell them that their other hand is like the hand of God. When they begin to use their other hand, you will be able to see the relief in their faces. While your group is still holding their rocks into the middle of the circle, ask the kids to pray with you. Pray in whatever way the Holy Spirit leads you, asking God to give each one of the kids in your group the strength to do what is right. Afterwards, ask the following questions:

Question: What was it like when you had to hold your arm straight out for so long with nothing to help?

Question: What did it feel like when you could finally use your other hand?

Question: How do you think this relates to God helping us obey?

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John 14:15





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