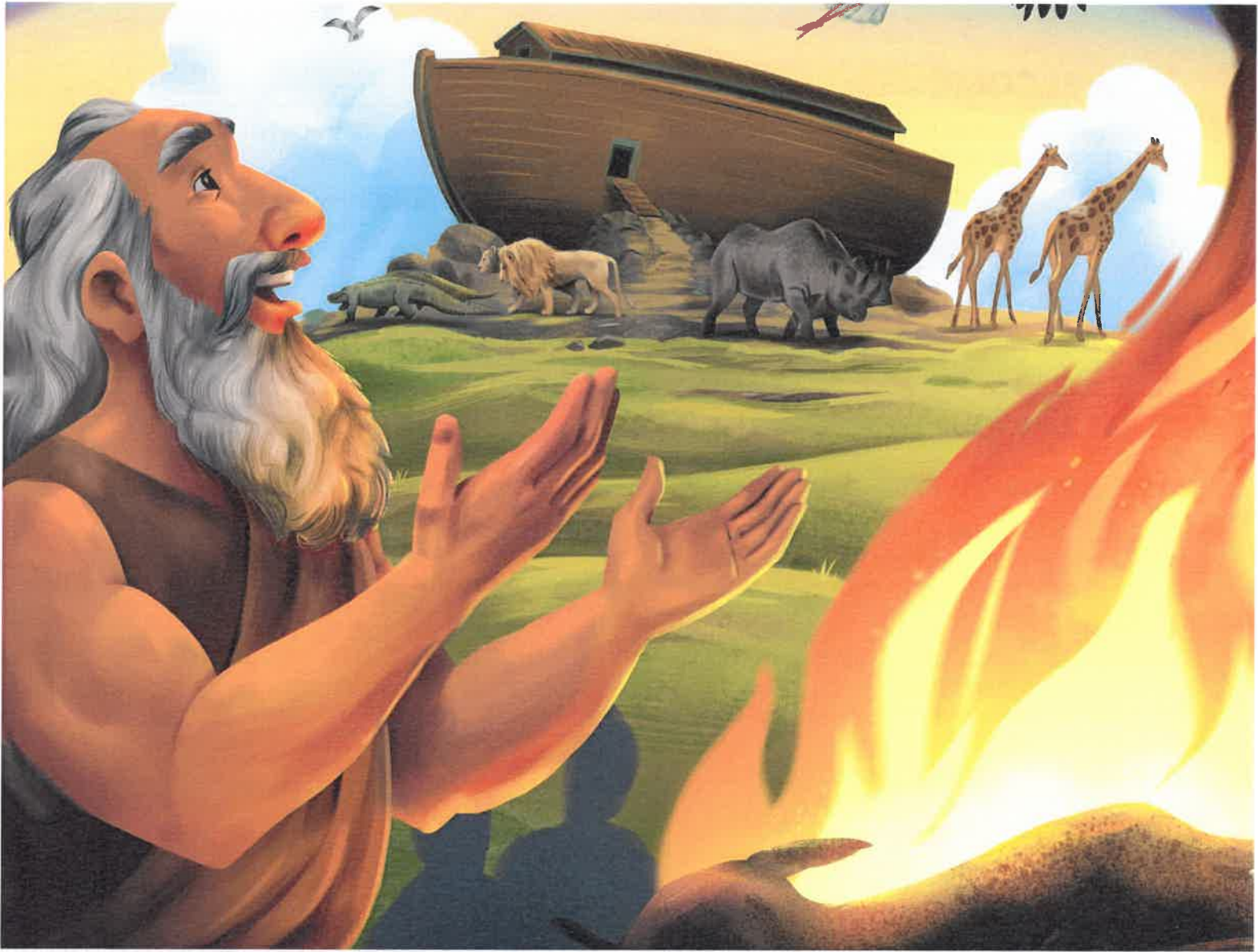


Grades 1-3 Lesson Template

Where	Who and What	What you Need
Classroom	Teacher takes attendance Give students a sticker	Paper on table, check off who is here, put onto the clipboard
	Sessions Starter: Make rainbow suncatchers: God keeps his promises page 39	Leaders guide
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Sophie. She'll get you when ready.	
Classroom:	Page 44 Love God by Applying the Story: Hand out Bibles Open it up to Genesis 9. Do questions under the group discussion.	Leaders Guide Bibles
	Finish the suncatchers. Worksheet: Finish the Picture	Tape Blocks
	Gr. 3 - Extra Worksheet	

THE GREAT FLOOD

GENESIS 6-9



KEY PASSAGE: Psalm 104:24

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: Who is God? God is our Creator and the King of everything.

CHRIST CONNECTION: God rescued Noah and his family from the flood. The story of Noah points to an even greater rescue. God's Son, Jesus, came to take the punishment for our sin. By trusting in Him, we are saved from the power of sin and death.

STORY POINT: God is right to judge sin.



WELCOME Kids

Greet each kid as he or she arrives. Use this time to collect the offering, fill out attendance sheets, build relationships, and help new kids connect to your group.

| SAY “Have you ever seen a rainbow? When? Did it appear after a storm? Where was it?”

1 ACTIVITY PAGE (5 minutes)

Invite kids to complete “Finish the Picture” activity page.

| SAY “Today, we’ll learn how God placed a rainbow in the sky as a sign of a wonderful promise He made to all people.”

2 SESSION STARTER (10 minutes)

☐ OPTION 1: BOARD THE ARK



Before the session, use painter’s tape to create a large rectangle on the floor. Tell kids that the rectangle represents an “ark.” Invite kids to form a large circle around the “ark.” Play some music and tell kids to walk around the “ark.” When you stop the music, challenge kids to quickly jump in the “ark.” Tell kids that the last kid to jump in the “ark” is out. Play several rounds as time allows.

| SAY “Long ago, God told a man named Noah to build an ark. An ark is a very large boat that was able to fit Noah, his family, and many pairs of animals. Today, our Bible story will help us understand that Noah built the ark because God was going to send a flood to judge people for their sin. We’ll see that **GOD IS RIGHT TO JUDGE SIN.**”

☐ OPTION 2: RAINBOW SUNCATCHER

Before the session, create a rainbow border for each kid by first folding a sheet of black construction paper in half and cutting out the arc-shape of a rainbow. Then cut out the center of the arc, leaving only a black rainbow-shaped outline. Stick the rainbow outlines on sheets of clear contact plastic. Then cut the excess contact plastic so only the inner portion of the rainbow has the contact plastic. Finally, cut out small squares of tissue paper in the colors of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and violet.

Place the squares of tissue paper in individual cups for kids to share. Provide each kid with a rainbow outline. Direct kids to create their rainbows by placing the tissue paper squares on the sticky side of the contact paper. Demonstrate how to make each arc of the rainbow colors.

| SAY “Your rainbow suncatchers can be placed in a window to remind you of God’s faithful promises. Even though we disobey God, He has promised that anyone who trusts in Jesus will be saved. Today, we will see how God promised to save Noah from the judgment sin deserves.”

Transition from **WELCOME** to **LEARN**





THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

LOVE God by Applying the Story

1 REVIEW & BIBLE SKILLS (5 minutes)

Distribute Bibles and display the Old Testament Mediterranean Map. Guide kids to open their Bibles to Genesis 9. Prompt kids to thumb through Genesis to discover how many chapters it contains. Invite kids to share the number of chapters they found. Tell kids that the 50 chapters of Genesis include stories from the family lines of Adam and Noah.

Consider pointing out the location of Mount Ararat (C11) on the Old Testament Mediterranean Map where the ark came to rest after the flood. Choose a volunteer to read aloud Genesis 9:16 or ask the kids to follow along as you read the verse aloud.

SAY God made a covenant with Noah. A covenant is another word for a special promise. God never lies. He always keeps His promises and the rainbow was a sign of His promise.

God's rainbow pointed to an even greater promise: God would send His Son, Jesus, to take the punishment our sin deserves. **GOD IS RIGHT TO JUDGE SIN**, but through Jesus we can be saved from His judgment.

2 GROUP DISCUSSION (10 minutes)

Ask the following questions. Lead the group to discuss.

SAY What is the punishment for sin?

Tell kids that the Bible tells us the punishment for sin is death. (Rom. 6:23) Discuss how the people of Noah's day died because of their sin. Tell kids that all people deserve death because we have sinned against God, who is without sin.

SAY How can we be saved from the punishment of sin?

Discuss how we can never be "good enough" to take away our sin. Explain that God sent His Son, Jesus, to take the punishment our sin deserves. Share how only Jesus never sinned and though He didn't deserve death, He chose to take our punishment by dying on the cross. Tell kids that when we place our faith in Him, we are saved from the punishment our sin deserves.

SAY After Noah came out of the ark, he built an altar to give thanks to God. How can we show God we are thankful for all the ways He loves us?

Prompt kids to think about how God has shown He loves them through His Son, Jesus. Encourage kids to remember all the ways God provides for them and takes care of them. Discuss how God is deserving of all our praise for who He is: good, faithful, kind, patient, holy, etc. Encourage kids to show thanks to God through how they live, their prayers, and how they treat others.

Transition from **LOVE** to **LIVE**

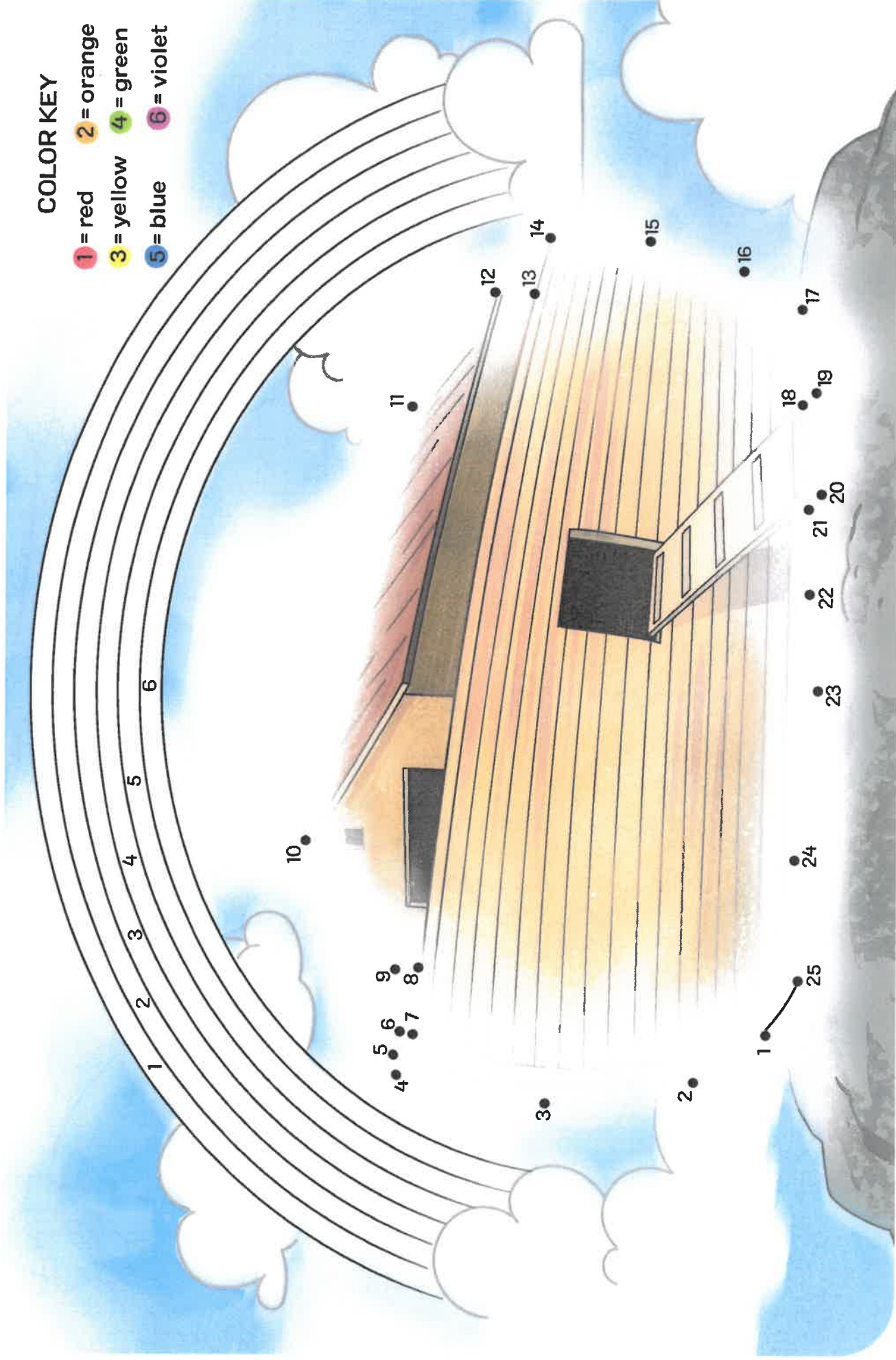


Finish the Picture

INSTRUCTIONS: Connect the dots to discover what God told Noah to build. Then use the number code to color in the picture.

COLOR KEY

- 1 = red
- 2 = orange
- 3 = yellow
- 4 = green
- 5 = blue
- 6 = violet



NAME: _____



The Great Flood

Genesis 6-9

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