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Week One: Staying Afloat in Troubled Times

Weekday Readings

Monday	Genesis 1
Tuesday	Genesis 3
Wednesday	Genesis 6
Thursday	Genesis 12
Friday	Genesis 22

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Key Verse

Then the Lord said, "I will wipe mankind, whom I created, off the face of the earth, together with the animals, creatures that crawl, and birds of the sky—for I regret that I made them." Noah, however, found favor with the Lord.

Genesis 6:7-8 (CSB)

QUICK CONNECT DISCUSSION GUIDE

If your group is already studying something else and won't be following along with the sermon series, spend a few minutes at the beginning of your time discussing these questions. This will help you apply the weekend content.

- What impacted you most from the sermon this week?
- The word "rainbow" here is the archer's bow. What does it mean that God, the divine warrior, peacefully retired His bow and hung it in the sky to remind Himself of His promise to humanity?

SERMON TRACK DISCUSSION GUIDE

In this section, you will find a format for leading a discussion on the topic for the week, based on the sermon and related material in *The Good Book*. The questions are separated into five categories - **account**, **anchor**, **add**, **apply** and **away** - and are designed to allow the group conversation to deepen as you move through them. We start with a look back at the past week. Descriptions of each category are listed on the back of this handout. Remember to allow time for everyone to participate and not have any one person dominate the conversation.

- **ACCOUNT:** Looking back at the past week, how were you able to connect to God and become more like Jesus? How can we pray for you?
- **ANCHOR:** In our children's department, we often use the theme of Noah's Ark in songs & art. In your early memories of sermons or Bible classes, what did this Noah episode mean to you?
- **ADD:** Consider the terror, death and destruction resulting from the great flood. Have you been spared from a natural catastrophe? How might survivors feel?
- **APPLY:** The word "rainbow" here is the archer's bow. What does it mean that God, the divine warrior, peacefully retired his bow and hung it in the sky to remind Himself of His promise to humanity?
- **AWAY:** *For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in the son and through him to reconcile all things to himself by making peace through the blood of his cross - through him, whether things on earth or in heaven. (Colossians 1:19, CSB)*

Since God made peace between Himself and humanity, how will that change your attitude toward people you encounter this week?

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VIDEO TRACK DISCUSSION GUIDE

In this section, you will find a format for leading a discussion based on the video content (located on RightNow Media). Each video may be more thematic than specific to the week's sermon, so be prepared to connect sermon content with the discussion questions in the participants guide.

The recommended format for your session is:

- Read or summarize the Introduction "Ready, Set, Go!"
- Talk about It
- Video Presentation (15 minutes)
- Video Discussion
- Closing Prayer

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Share what you did in your journal this week and talk about how God used Noah's faith and obedience to rescue the world. What did God tell Noah to do? Did he do it?

SERMON TRACK CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS

- The **Account** question is meant to prompt reflection about how participants lived out what they learned in their daily lives.
- The **Anchor** discussion is meant to help individuals share what they already know or have experienced related to the ideas presented in the sermon or other readings.
- The **Add** section is to bring to light any new insights or "aha" moments that participants have about the text after further reflection.
- In the **Apply** section, guide the conversation into general ways people might apply what they have learned from the sermon to their daily lives.
- The **Away** discussion is a call to action for each person to put one thing into practice in the coming week.

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Book - one per family	Individuals or families	\$10	East Bookstore; West & Bedford Foyer
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Video (optional)	Groups or individuals	Free	RightNow Media
Participants Guide - one per group (optional)	Group leaders & individuals	\$5	East Bookstore; West & Bedford Foyer
Kids Journal (ages 12 and below)	Families with kids	Free	East Bookstore; West & Bedford Foyer

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