

# Sunday School Lesson

## Sunday, September 6, 2020

### Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost



*“Noah did everything that God commanded.”*

While labeled Sunday School, please feel free to use these ideas in a way that blesses your family. You do not have to do all the activities nor do you need to do them on Sunday morning. You can use whatever translation of the Bible or Children’s Bible you have in your home.

**Read:** Genesis 6:8-8:22

#### **Activities and Background:**

This probably is the most told story to children. Images of Noah, the animals, and the ark are used to decorate nurseries and children’s rooms. But it is often depicted incorrectly so there may be some misinformation which needs to be untaught. Often it is said that Noah gathered the animals 2 of every kind, male and female. The scripture actually says God sent the animals to Noah. Often the rainbow is said to be a reminder to us that God will never destroy the earth again when actually the rainbow is placed in the sky to remind God of the covenant. Finally, the ark is often depicted as a wooden ship shape when actually the dimensions given make it a box shape.

1. Read the scripture story.
  - I wonder how hard it was for Noah to do what God commanded.
  - I wonder what the community people thought about Noah.
  - I wonder how long it took to build the ark.
  - I wonder if we sometimes find it hard to do what God says because other people are doing something different.
2. Younger children will enjoy getting out their stuffed animals and making a sofa or bed into an ark.
  - Wonder how many animals were on the ark.
  - Wonder what the animals ate.
3. Older children might explore why it is Noah and the Ark not Noah and the Boat. An ark is something which protects and saves life.
  - Wonder about the Noah’s Ark and the Ark of the Covenant.
4. Build something together as a family – maybe an “ark” to protect important family papers or family pictures.
5. Draw rainbows. Look for rainbows after a storm. Rainbows do not appear unless there is sunlight.
6. Sing “Rise and Shine.”
7. End with a prayer of thankfulness.