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Religious Education Lesson Plan Helpers by Laura Grace

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Noah's Ark

Review:

Questions from last week's lesson

Vocabulary: (Write the bold words on the board and discuss with the class)

Ark- a very large boat built by Noah for his family and all the animals

Noah- man who built the ark when God told him to

Flood- a very large amount of water covering land that used to be dry

Drown- to be underwater until you die from not having oxygen

Dove- a small bird from the pigeon family

Rainbow- a multicolored arc (half circle) of light that is separated into bands of color

Plan:

1. Read story: "Noah's Ark" from your own story book. While reading the story do cut outs (Snip-And-Tell Bible Stories by Karyn Henley, page 15 - 17) as the story unfolds. Then ask questions from below.

1. Who built the ark? Noah.
2. What kind of animals came on the ark? There were two of every kind of animal and bird in the world.
3. How long did it rain when they were in the ark? For 40 days and nights.
4. What did the dove bring back for Noah to know that there was dry land? A twig.
5. What was the sign that God did that promised that He would never flood the whole Earth again? A rainbow.

2. Introduce craft: Who built the ark? Noah. What did it look like? What was it like on the ark? Let's find out!

Rainbow and Noah's Ark Craft- <http://first-school.ws/activities/bible/rainbow.htm>

Or

Rainbow Craft- <http://familyfun.go.com/parenting/learn/feature/familyfun123-toddler-outdoors/familyfun123-toddler-outdoors8.html>

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Appropriate for any age. Note: Before you flatten the coffee filters, cut them in half. Then cut the half circle in the center so you are left with an arch like a rainbow.

Or

What did it do for 40 days and nights? It rained.

Rainstick- <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/crafts/music/rainstick/>
<http://www.makingfriends.com/music/rainstick.htm>

3. Introduce game: What was on the ark with Noah and his family? Can you find what animal is missing from the ark?

Noah's Ark (What animal is missing?)

Need: Cards with animal pictures on them.

Directions: Place a group of different animal cards on the chalk tray. Have the students name what animals that they see. Students hide their eyes while the teacher removes one animal card. Then the students look and guess which animal is missing. Who ever guesses right gets to remove an animal and have everyone guess "Who's Missing".

Or

Noah's Ark Memory Game-

http://www.auntietrees.com/files/Noahs_Ark_Memory_Game.pdf

Print 2 copies, cut out, and laminate.

4. Puzzles & Mazes, Worksheets, etc.

The Great Bible Big Fun Activity Book: From the Old and New Testaments by Toni Lind
Follow the Dots to find Noah's special helper. Draw a branch in it's mouth. (dove)

More 365 Activities for Kids (do any of the Noah puzzles, mazes, dot-to-dot, spot the difference, etc. from January 13 - 23).

Rainbow of Promise (dot to dot)-

http://www.sermons4kids.com/rainbow_promise_dot2dot.htm

The Story of Noah's Ark mini book- <http://www.dltk-bible.com/genesis/noahbook/index.htm>

5. Introduce snack: What was the sign that God did that promised that He would never flood the whole Earth again? A rainbow.

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Rainbow in a cup- <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/crafts/stpatrick/rainbowjello/>

What did Noah build? An ark.

Edible Ark- http://www.christiancrafters.com/treat_ark.html