



**MONTHLY
BIBLE STORY**

Noah's Ark

GENESIS 6:8-9:17

BIBLE WORDS

"I know that God helps me."

PSALM 54:4, NIRV

BOTTOM LINE

God helps you do big things.

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.

STORY TIME

Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story. Some children (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

WHAT YOU NEED: Preschool Bible and "Story Pictures" Activity Pages copied on cardstock

LEADER: "Hello, friends! I'm so glad to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's true story from the Bible (*hold up the Bible*) begins with a man named Noah! (*Hold up the picture of Noah.*) God had something big for Noah to do.

"First, God told Noah to build a really big boat. (*Hold up the picture of Noah building the ark.*) Next, Noah, Noah's family, and two of every animal got on the boat. (*Hold up the picture of Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark.*) Then, God shut the door, and it started raining. (*Hold up the picture of the ark with rain drops on dry ground.*) It rained and rained and rained. (*Hold up the picture of the ark in water.*) When the rain stopped, God made the very first rainbow and put it in the sky for everyone to see! (*Hold up the picture of the rainbow.*) The rainbow reminds us that God's love for us is SO BIG and that God keeps His promises. God helped Noah do big things, and **God helps you do big things."**



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CRAFT TIME

Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

WHAT YOU NEED: "Dotted Rainbow" Activity Page; cardstock; dot markers in red, yellow, green, and blue; baby wipes; and a permanent marker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Dotted Rainbow" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage children to fill in the rainbow with the dot markers. Clean hands as needed.

WHAT YOU SAY:

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Today, we learned that God had something really big for Noah to do. Noah trusted God. Noah built the ark and filled it with two of every kind of animal. Then it started to rain, and it rained for a long time. When the rain stopped, God made the first rainbow and put it in the sky as a promise.

"Look at all the pretty-colored markers! Let's fill in the rainbow with these colors. (Pause.) Great job! (Clean hands as needed.) When you see a rainbow in the sky, you can remember God's love for us is SO BIG and that God keeps His promises. God helped Noah do big things, and **God helps you do big things.**"