



# Noah's Ark

## Pre-K Lesson Plan

### Learning Objectives

Students will ...

- Gain familiarity with the biblical story of Noah's Ark
- Explore what it means to make and keep a promise



### Share the Story

Have the children sit in a circle and read to them the story of Noah's Ark as found in the Spark story bible (page 20). Be sure the children can see the pictures as you read. After reading the story, use the felt board to re-tell the story again. Ask the children to help create the biblical scenes using the various felt-board figures. As you tell the story, ask the children simple questions. For example, when talking about the different animals on board Noah's boat, ask the children what noises the various animals make. **Prep Tip: Read the story in Genesis 6:9-9:28**

### Explore the Story

After reading the story from the Spark story bible and creating the scene on the felt board, use "I wonder" questions to spark the children's imaginations. For example, you could say, "I wonder what it sounded (or smelled, or looked) like on Noah's Ark? Or, I wonder why God picked Noah to build the ark? Prepare a set of "I wonder" questions in advance that will help the children enter into the narrative and explore the contours of the text.

### The Big Idea

At the end of the Noah story, God places a rainbow in the sky as a sign of God's promise never to flood the earth again. Ask them if they know what a promise is? If yes, ask them to recall a time when they made a promise, or broke a promise. Remind them of other promises that God makes to us (to love us, to never leave us, etc.)

### Art and Song

Teach the children the song "The Lord told Noah" (you can find it here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wMQjYJdtwoc>). After singing the song, invite the children to color the Noah's Ark coloring sheet to bring home, give to their parents, or put in the offering plate at church as a gift to God.