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## *The Word of the Lord: The Old Testament for Young Children*

### Notes for Parents & Teachers

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- a. Yes, it seems hard to say that the Lord was sorry. But don't contradict the letter of the Word. The Lord made people because He wanted them to be happy, but if they do evil they can't be happy.
- b. But the Lord wanted to save anyone who could be made happy, and this was Noah.
- c. Concentrate on this big ark, and how He wanted all the animals to be saved so they could stay on the earth. The children will enjoy listing the animals.



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## The Lord Saves a Good Man and His Family

Now there began to be many people on the earth. And the Lord saw that the people had become evil and were doing bad things. And the Lord was sorry that He had made people on the earth, and He was sad. And the Lord said, “I will get rid of both man and beast, and creeping thing and birds of the heavens.”

But the Lord was pleased with Noah. Noah was a good man who walked with the Lord. And Noah was the father of three sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth.

And the Lord said to Noah, “Make an ark of gopherwood. Make the ark with rooms and cover it inside and out with tar. You shall make a window for the ark, and you shall set the door of the ark in the side of it. And I am about to bring a flood of waters on the earth. Everything on the earth shall die. But I promise to be with you, and you shall come into the ark—you and your sons, and your wife and your sons’ wives with you. And of every living thing, you shall bring two of each into the ark, to keep them alive with you. And take every kind of food for you and them.” And Noah did as the Lord commanded him.

Then the Lord said to Noah, “Come into the ark.” And Noah went into the ark with his sons, and his wife, and his sons’ wives.

And the Lord shut them in.

Genesis 6 and 7

