

# Family Worship Guide

## Week 5

### Read

- **Genesis 6:1-7:24**

- **Questions**

**1. The flood is one of the most well known events in the Bible and in history. It is also a very sad story. The earth had become a terrible place because of sin. According to Genesis 6:5 how bad was it?**

*This was the most terrible time in the history of the world. There will never be another time like this. God says in this verse that everything people were thinking and doing was "only evil all the time."*

**2. In Genesis 6:6 it says that God's heart was filled with pain. What does that tell us about God?** *God loves us. He did not create us for sin, but created us to know Him and love Him. The world was filled with violence and injustice - and everyone was guilty. God's heart was filled with pain because of His love for us.*

**3. What did God decide to do? (Look at Genesis 6:7)**

*God is holy and he brings judgment against sin. He chose to destroy the earth with a flood, but to save a righteous family - Noah and his wife, their three sons, and their wives.*

**4. Did God flood the whole earth or just a part of it?** *Let's look at Genesis 6:17, 7:4, and 7:19 for clues.*

**5. In Genesis 7:7-10 we find out an important order for how things happened. Let's read those verses together. What happened, and why is it important?**

*After the ark was built (it likely took 100 years to build), Noah and his family entered the ark. After they got on, God brought all the animals to the ark and they entered. Then seven days later the flood began. Noah had to have faith in God. He built the ark and entered it before the animals came, and before the rain started.*

**6. Noah had incredible faith. When God told him to build an ark on dry land, he obeyed. How can we learn from Noah's obedience to God?** *God has given us His Word which tells us how He wants us to live each day. Every day we have a choice of whether we will live like the world, or obey God.*

## Praise

- Praise God for giving us:  
Himself  
Our family  
Our church family?
- What has God done in our family this week that we can give him praise?

## Pray

Use the ACTS model (Example below.)

- ADORATION – “For His for His love and His holiness.”
- CONFESSION – “Confess our wrongs”
- THANKSGIVING – How has God blessed you? ....
- SUPPLICATION – Your prayer requests as a family
- Pray that we will live obediently to God’s Word.
- Pray for your neighbors by name! Pray that God will bless them!

## Memorize

**Genesis 6:22:** “Noah did everything just as God commanded him.”

## Digging Deeper

(Optional activities)

### Kids Fun

#### Option 1

Supplies needed: a large spool of fishing line or string

**Have you ever wondered exactly how big Noah’s ark was? If two of every kind of animal could fit on the ark, it must have been huge...but how huge? The Bible tells us the dimensions of the ark. Let’s take a look and see what it says. Would someone be willing to read Genesis 6:15? Your Bible translation may list the dimensions in feet or cubits. The activity is more fun if you talk about the ancient measurement of cubits. **OK, so the ark was 300 cubits long, 50 cubits wide, and 30 cubits high. But what is a cubit? A cubit was about 18” - one and a half 12” rulers. It is about the distance from your elbow to the ends of your fingers. Let’s all hold up our arms and look at how long a cubit is. Now we need to figure out how long 300 cubits would****

**be.** Find the “longest” place in your house. It might be a hallway, or where two rooms connect. If weather is nice, this is even more fun outside. **Let’s see how many cubits we can put together. Use your arms to start on one end of the room/hall and measure out one cubit at a time. How many cubits long is this room/hall?** If you are doing this outside, see if the kids can measure out 100 cubits using their arm as a ruler. If you do it inside, your room/hall will likely measure somewhere between 10 and 40 cubits. You can run fishing line or string across the span that you measured. Then figure out how much bigger the ark would have been compared to your area. For instance, if you measured 15 cubits, than the ark would be 20 times longer than that!

**Here is another way we might think about how big the ark was. Think of a football field. A football field is 300 feet long. The ark was 450 feet long! Do you know how high our house is? You can estimate about 12 feet per floor of your house. The ark was 30 cubits high - that is 45 feet! So imagine a house with three full stories - 75 feet wide - and one and a half football fields long!**

### For Teens

1. Noah was saved from the flood because of God's grace, and because Noah believed God. What similarities are there to how we are saved from our sins? Scroll down to the "article" section.
2. God is full of love and full of justice. How has God been patient with you? How has God disciplined you?
3. Noah and his family entered the ark through "one door." Do you believe there is symbolism there for how we are saved today? Read John 14:6.