

Noah Builds an Altar

Genesis 8:13 – 22; 9:11 - 13

Devotional Reading: Psalm 77:1 – 2, 7 - 19

Background Scripture: Genesis 6:1 – 9:17

LESSON AIMS: the students will:

- **Summarize** the terms of the Lord's covenant with Noah
- **Suggest** reasons why Noah's sacrifice pleased God
- **Write** a prayer of thanks to God for one specific instance of His covenant faithfulness

INTRODUCTION: Gradually, the waters of the great Flood subsided. Noah and his family could now begin life anew, in a world cleansed of vegetation and mankind. When Noah disembarked from the ark, he offered a sacrifice of thanksgiving. Noah worshiped God, who had saved him and his family. Noah built an altar to the Lord. He was thankful for God's saving power and for sparing his family.

KEY VERSE: *¹³I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.* *Genesis 9:13*

LESSON:

Noah's Situation

Genesis 8:13 - 22

God's Response

Genesis 9:11 - 13

Summary: Grieved by rampant sin among mankind, God decided to destroy His creation. He charged Noah – described as the only righteous person alive – to build an ark to provide shelter. Noah received covenant promises that God would preserve order in the cosmos. The Flood shows a loving God who is committed to the future of a less-than-perfect world. It shows a God whose will is to save; a God who stands by His creation.

Questions:

1. *What are some ways to ensure that worship precedes any new endeavor?*
2. *What are some ways to ensure that our efforts for the Lord are a pleasant fragrance to Him and not the opposite?*
3. *What kinds of emergencies would prompt us to place faith God's promises from Genesis 9:11?*

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DAY / DATE	SCRIPTURE	
<i>Mon., June 2nd</i>	Obedience to God's Command	Genesis 6:11 – 22
<i>Tue., June 3rd</i>	Jesus Joins Us in the Storm	John 6:15 – 20
<i>Wed., June 4th</i>	Peace Through the Word	John 14:18 – 27
<i>Thurs., June 5th</i>	God Protects	Genesis 7:11 – 24
<i>Fri., June 6th</i>	Diving Rescue	2 Peter 2:1 - 9
<i>Sat., June 7th</i>	A Cry for Deliverance	Psalms 77:1 – 2, 7 – 20
<i>Sun., June 8th</i>	A Covenant of Peace	Genesis 8:13 – 22; 9:11 - 13