

L1.16 “The Rainbow Covenant”

Read Together: After the Flood was over, the ark came to rest on top of the mountains of Ararat. These mountains are in the country called Turkey today. Noah, his family, and the animals remained aboard the ark for more than a year. Wow! It took a long time before the earth was dry enough for them to live on it. After they left the ark, God told Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth that He wanted them to have big families and fill the earth with more people. God also made a new covenant with all living creatures that He would never again destroy the earth with a flood. The sign God gave of this new covenant was the rainbow.



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Read Together: Genesis 8:1–22; 9:1, 11–19.

Discuss:

- Ask your child, by way of review, what was the Flood? Why did God bring the Flood on humanity?
- Ask your child, what was the promise God made after the Flood was over? What was the sign of that promise?
- Ask your child if he or she has ever seen a rainbow. What does it look like? How would he or she describe it?
- Discuss God’s command to Noah and his sons to “be fruitful and multiply.” Why did God ask them to have lots of children? Were there any people other than Noah and his family alive after the Flood?
- Explain that every living human being today is descended from Noah and his sons.

Review Memorization:

2 Peter 2:5 *“And (God) did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly.”*

More to Do!

These activities are optional, but some children may find them enjoyable.

- Your child might be interested in comparing the size of the ark with modern structures. This [website](#) had some interesting comparisons.
- There are several [Noah’s ark crafts](#) available on Pinterest that your child might enjoy.
- There are several videos on YouTube of the Noah’s ark replica in Kentucky. This [Noah’s Ark Encounter](#) video is short but it does mention the dimensions.