

Genesis 6:13–22



The Story

Noah was a good man, and God knew it.

God said to Noah, “Build a big boat with rooms in it.”

God told Noah to put two of every animal in the big boat.

Noah listened to God and did what God told him to do.

“Take food for the animals. I promise to keep you safe,” said God.

Noah loved helping the animals. God kept Noah and the animals safe.

People at church love to help you, too. They keep you safe.

Who helps you at church?

Family Time

Noah had many animals to take care of. You can do some of the following animal activities together with your child.

- If you have pets in your family, talk about how you care for them.
- Name or identify as many animals as you can. Make the animal sounds, and act like the various animals.
- Play a guessing game by making an animal sound or acting like an animal and having your child guess the animal.
- Play an animal-matching game together, and thank God for each animal. You can make a simple animal-matching game by cutting out pictures of animals from magazines and

gluing them to index cards. Find two pictures of various animals, such as cats, dogs, birds, fish, horses, cows, and so forth. The pictures don’t have to be identical.

Action Song

Noah’s Song

Encourage your child to find animals—toys, stuffed animals, or pictures—around your home and bring them to you to use with a song. Tell your child that when you point to him or her, he or she may jump up and hold up the animal and sing or say, “Here I am! Here I am!”

Sing to the tune of “Where Is Thumbkin?”

Where are the animals? Where are the animals? (*Point to your child.*)

Here I am! Here I am! (*Child holds up animal.*)

Welcome to the (*animal’s name*). Welcome to the (*animal’s name*).

Come aboard! Come aboard! (*Wave arm in welcome gesture.*)

Repeat the song as many times as you wish or for as many animals as you have.

PRAY

Praying Together

Dear God, thank you for the story of Noah and the big boat. Help us to love you as Noah did. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.