NOAH <u>LESSON 5</u>

Reading: Genesis Chapters 6-9

How can we please God and work for Him. By always doing our best and obeying Him, and by helping other people around us. How can we work for God?

Noah was a very wonderful person, he did what God told Him, and he worked very hard to help God and told the people about God.

Now there were many people on the earth and they had become wicked. They argued and fought and stole and lied, and cheated one another so badly that God was sorry that he had made people and this made God very unhappy. So because the people were wicked, God flooded the earth.

Noah was not wicked like the rest of the people around him. The most important thing God asks us to do is to love Him and try to please Him and Noah did this and God saved him and his family from the flood. Noah believed God would destroy the earth and he did what God asked him to so.

God asked Noah to build a large boat called an ark. God told Noah to make the ark of Gopher wood. The people laughed at Noah while he was building the ark, because he was building the ark nowhere near the sea, but Noah paid no attention and continued building the ark. After Noah had built the ark, God asked Noah to collect all the animals, two of a kind and gather food for the animals, Noah and his family to eat while in the ark. Then Noah and his family and all the animals went into the ark, and God shut the door, no man could open it.

The rains came, and it rained for 40 days and 40 nights without ceasing. The flood was on the earth for a very long time. The waters were so deep they covered the tallest mountains. At the end of 40 days the ark rested on a mountain called Ararat. Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made and sent out a raven which went to and fro until the waters were dried up from off the earth. Noah also sent out a dove, to see if the waters were dried up from off the earth. The dove came back to the ark, because the earth was still flooded. They stayed in the ark for another seven days, and again he sent out the dove and in the evening the dove came back to the ark with an olive leaf, so Noah new the flood was no longer on the earth.

God's promise to Noah is one of the most wonderful promises made. God's promise was that everytime you see a rainbow, God will never flood the earth again.

Point to remember: - From the story of Noah we learn that when we obey God and work for Him, He will take care of us.