Lesson 5 Noah and the Flood

Pictures 6, 7

Aim



To teach that God must punish sin. God saved Noah because he obeyed God.

Teacher Preparation: Pray for your students as you prepare this lesson that might be open to the truth of God's word. Then read and study Genesis 6:9-8:22 and the lesson plan.

Memory Verse: John 3:36

Whoever believes in the Son has entered life, whoever disobeys the Son .... will remain under God's punishment.

Lesson Plan

Introduction Tell one or two examples of someone doing something that is funny and ridiculous. For example, digging a garden in the middle of the summer when its very hot and there's water restrictions so there is no water to irrigate it. Wearing a very thick sweater on a very hot day.

Main Points of Lesson



1. *Show picture 6.* Talk about it. Point out Noah. He loved God. He was asked by God to do something very unusual and different. God told him to build a boat. But where Noah lived there were no rivers, lakes or seas. The land was watered by springs under the earth. It took him 120 years to build this boat.

Look at the measurement (Gen. 6:15). Show the class how big the boat was roughly by comparing it with the size of something well known e.g. the church or school.

2. The people were evil. They sinned. Ask the class "What is sin?"

Revise memory verse: Gen. 4:7 or Rom. 5:12

During the 120 years of building, Noah preached to the people. See 1 Peter 3:20

3. People laughed at Noah. Point out the people walking away from Noah. It had never rained. They did not turn back to God.

4. On God's instructions, Noah filled the boat with animals and his family, 7:1-8. God shut the door.

5. The rains came. Show picture 7. The people were punished. They had not obeyed God. God offered to save them in the boat. They refused. Only Noah and his family were saved.

Teach Memory Verse

6. Finish the story. Gen. 7:11 - 8:22

The rain came for 40 days and 40 nights. After 150 days the water began to go down.

7. Noah sent out a raven and then a dove. This is a very long lesson. It may be necessary to miss out this section Gen. 8:6-12 Noah stayed in the ark for 1 year.

8. Noah worshipped and thanked God for saving him.

Review: Briefly go over the lesson to emphasise that God must punish sin but God will forgive us our sins if we trust and obey the Son (Jesus) who died on the cross for us.

Our Response to the Lesson

Make up a story or use an account of something that really happened which shows that disobedience brings a punishment, if not now then later.

For example, children are warned not to play near the river or to go there alone. Children are drowned every year in rivers, the sea and swimming pools because they ignore this rule. We need to follow the example of Noah who obeyed God.

God sent his son to take the punishment we deserve. Obeying him means life.

Repeat memory verse.