



Catastrophe: The Flood

God is holy. God must judge sin.

Lesson Focus

God punished the wickedness of man by bringing a catastrophe, a worldwide flood. God showed mercy to Noah who loved God and was righteous in the eyes of the Lord.

Key Passages

Genesis 6:5–8, 6:14; John 10:9

Memory Verse

John 10:9 I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

Flood and Cross Activity

Materials

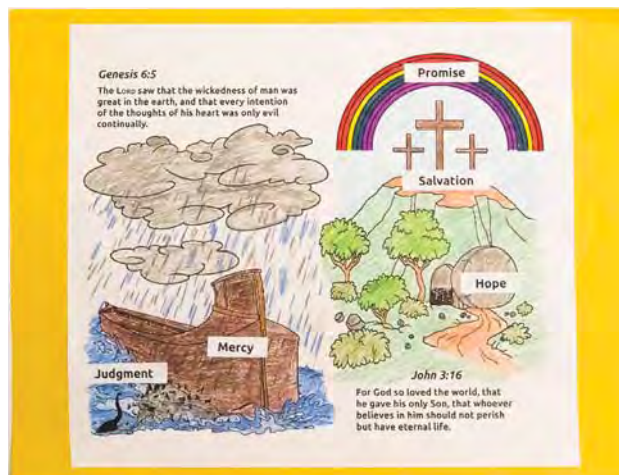
- Flood and cross sheets (following page)
- Markers or colored pencils
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Optional: construction paper (9 x12 inches) in various colors

Instructions

Print one flood and cross sheet for each student. Have students cut out each label.

Follow the Suggested Discussion below to review the lesson as students glue the labels onto their sheets near the appropriate pictures.

After discussion, have students color the pictures then glue the sheet onto construction paper for a finished, framed look.



Suggested Discussion

Before you color the pictures, we're going to glue the labels onto your sheets. Someone read the verse at the top of your sheet, Genesis 6:5. Assign a reader.

? Now find the label that says "judgment." Which picture reminds us of God's judgment on sin? *The Flood.* Right. God judged sin by sending a Flood to destroy the world. So glue the judgment label by the water.

? Let's do the label that says "mercy" next. How did God show His mercy to Noah? *By saving him on the Ark.* Yes. God used the Ark to show mercy to Noah. So glue the mercy label on the Ark or right next to it.

? How about the next label that says "promise"? We haven't talked much about this yet. Do you know which of these pictures reminds us of God's promise never to flood the earth again? *The rainbow.*

Glue the promise label onto the rainbow

? God showed Noah mercy. He has also shown mercy to all sinners through Jesus. Will someone read John 3:16 at the bottom of your sheet? Assign a reader.

Jesus died on the Cross to save sinners. We call that salvation. Glue the "salvation" label near the crosses.

? And how about the last label? It says "hope." Do you know what happened to Jesus just three days after He died on the Cross? *He rose from the dead.*

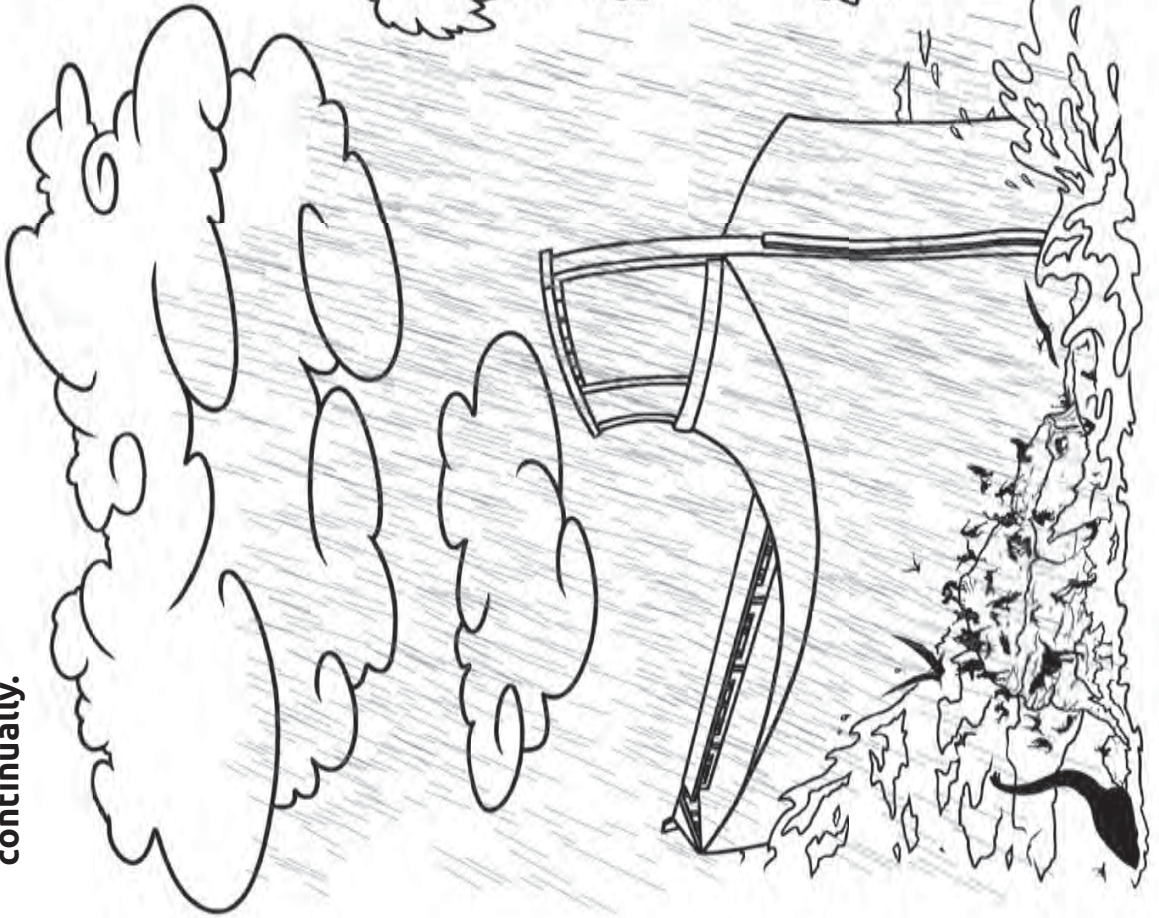
Yes. And because Jesus rose from the dead, we can have hope of eternal life in heaven when we receive God's grace and mercy and repent of our sins, trusting in Jesus to save us from the judgment of sin.

Add the "hope" label on the picture by the empty tomb.

Isn't it interesting how the judgment, mercy, and promise we see in the account of the Flood is very much like the judgment, mercy, and promise of hope we see in Jesus Christ? The whole Bible is God's Word. It is complete and works all together to give us the truth.

Genesis 6:5

The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.



Mercy

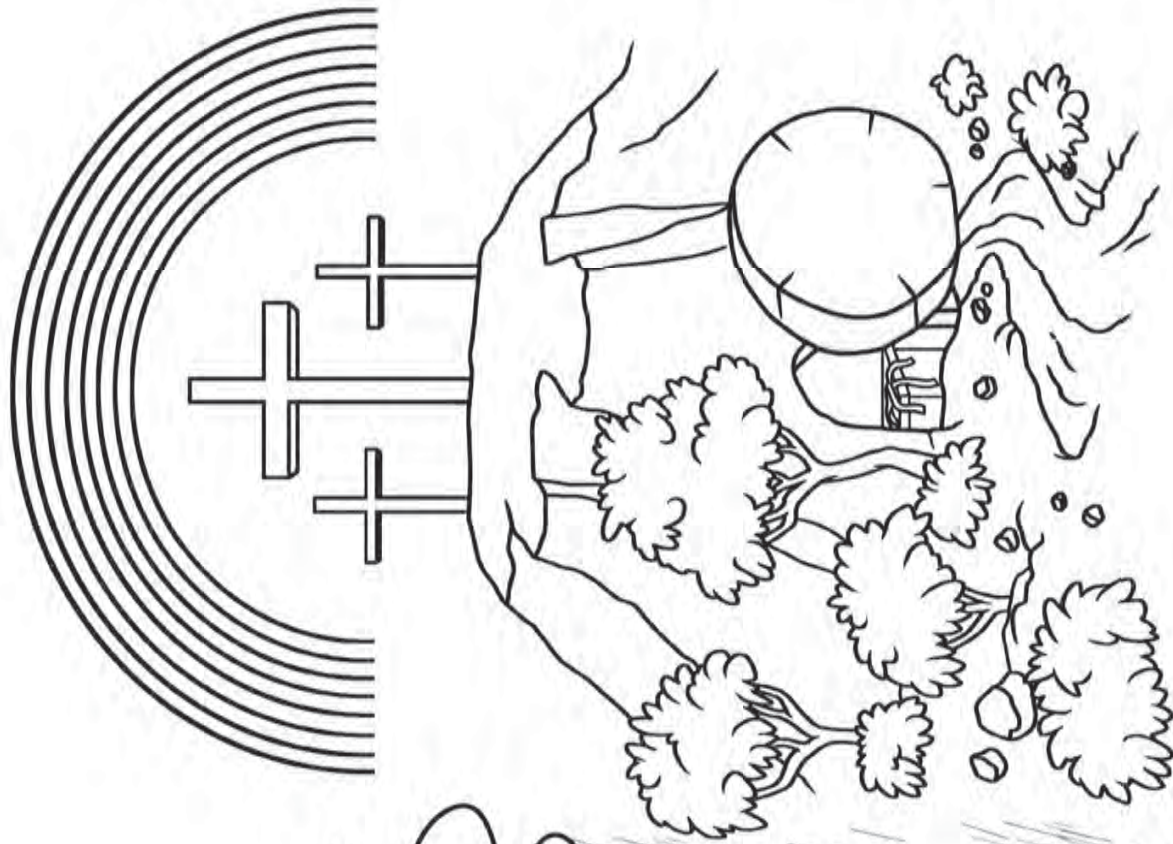
Judgment

Promise

Salvation

Hope

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John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Review Questions

K-1st Review Questions

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2. What is a catastrophe? *A huge disaster, or a big, bad problem.*
3. Where is God? *God is everywhere.*
4. What is our hand motion for “catastrophe”? *Pulling hands down in front of a sad face.*
5. Who is always in control of everything, even catastrophes? *God.*
6. What did God see in the people’s hearts that was so bad? *Sin.*
7. What does God think of sin? *It makes him sad. He hates sin.*
8. God is holy. What must he do to sin? *He must punish sin.*
9. God was sorry he had made people because of their sin. What was God going to do? *Bring a flood. Bring a catastrophe. Destroy the earth.*
10. Who did God show mercy to and save from the flood? *Noah.*
11. What did Noah think of God? *He loved God. He obeyed God.*
12. What job did God give to Noah? *Build the ark.*
13. What was this ark? *A big boat or ship.*
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