# Teaching guide - Preschool & VSN

#### Monthly Theme: All Aboard! Let Jesus Lead the Way

"The Lord gives strength to his people. The Lord blesses his people with peace." Psalm 29:11

#### **LESSON - NOAH LISTENED AND OREYED!**

Supplies: Bathtub toy boat

All aboard, Victory Kids! Trains need a track and a conductor to get where they're going, and so do we! Jesus is our conductor, and when we follow Him, we're always on the right track. Today, we'll hear a story about a man named Noah who listened to God and obeyed; just like we can learn to do when we follow Jesus!

In the book of Genesis in the Bible, there is a story of a man named Noah. Noah lived a long, long time ago. The Bible tells us that he loved God. But guess what? Most people during that time did not love God. They did lots of bad things, and they didn't want to follow God's way. That made God very sad.

But Noah was different; he did everything God asked him to do. That means he talked to God and followed God's way. Just like Noah listened to God, we can too!

SAY IT: I can listen to God!

DO IT: Let's cup our hands around our ears to show we are listening. (Demonstrate)

One day, God talked to Noah. He said, "Noah, I'm going to send a big flood because the people are doing bad things. But I want to keep you safe. Build a big boat called an ark!"

**SAY IT:** Ark

Now the ark wasn't a little boat like a bathtub toy (show the small toy boat), Oh NO! It was very, very BIG!

**DO IT:** Let's show how small a bathtub toy boat is with our hands (demonstrate this with small boat toy, have kids demonstrate "small" with their hands). Now let's show how big the ark could have been. (spread hands/arms apart - this big)

God told Noah exactly how to build the ark. And guess what? Noah listened. He didn't ignore God. He didn't say, "Maybe later." He listened right away. We can be like Noah and listen to God too.

SAY IT: I can listen to God!

DO IT: Point to your ears to show you will listen and nod your head to show you will obey

God told Noah to bring his family and two of every kind of animal into the ark. Can you imagine two lions, two giraffes, two bunnies... wow!

**DO IT:** Let's count the animals together...ONE...TWO!

And when the ark was ready, Noah and his family got inside with all the animals. Then guess what? God closed the door, BOOM!

DO IT: Clap your hands once like a big door closing.

God kept Noah, his family, and the animals safe because Noah listened and obeyed!

**PRAYER:** Dear GOD, thank You for giving Noah a plan. Help me listen to You. Help me obey right away. I want to follow You every day. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **LESSOD QUESTIONS - 10 MINS**

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Question 1: Did Noah listen and obey God? (Yes)

Question 2: Did God tell Noah to build a little boat (No)

Question 3: Did Noah bring animals on the boat? (Yes)

Question 4: Can you listen and obey God too? (Yes)

#### 4YLS - 1St GLADE

Question 1: Who listened to God? Noah

Question 2: What did God tell Noah to build? An ark (A big boat)

Question 3: What did Noah bring onto the ark? His family and animals

Question 4: How many animals did God tell Noah to bring on the Ark? 2 of each kind

Question 5: Who shut the door of the ark? God

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#### ACTIVITY 1: OBEY LIKE DOAH!

Items Needed: Large Noah's Ark Puzzle, large space

**Connection:** Just like Noah listened to God and obeyed by building something big, an ark! This activity helps us practice listening, working together, and "building" something step-by-step just like Noah did!

**Step 1:** Gather the kids in a circle around the puzzle area. Spread the pieces out and let's work together and help each other.

**Step 2:** Allow the children to work together to put the puzzle together or each child can hold a puzzle piece and pass it to the volunteer to put the puzzle together.

Step 3: When complete, cheer: We did it; just like Noah obeyed, we followed instructions and finished the job!

## ACTIVITY 2: PIN THE TFAIN - FOLLOW GOD'S DILECTIODS!

Items Needed: Pin the Choo Choo on the Track game, tape

**Connection:** Just like Noah listened to God's directions to build the ark, this game reminds us how important it is to follow instructions, especially when we can't see everything! Jesus leads the way, and we trust and follow.

**Step 1:** Hang the *Pin the Choo Choo* poster on the wall at eye level for the kids.

**Step 2:** Explain the game: "We're going to pretend we're placing a train on the track, just like Noah followed God's directions to build the ark! But we have to listen carefully and try to place it in the right spot, even when we can't see!"

**Step 3:** One at a time, blindfold each child, spin them gently once or twice, then guide them forward to place their train sticker on the track.

Step 4: After each turn, celebrate with a cheer: Chugga Chugga...Well Done!

### ACTIVITY 3: BYBBU PAITY OR STORY TIME

Items Needed: Bubbles and music OR book basket

We've got some extra time today, so let's spend it worshipping and dancing with bubbles or reading a book to the class (please show the pictures on each page).

# CRAFT OF COLORIDG SHEET (486 1 OR 2 OPTIODS DEPENDING OF CASS AGE & TIME) NOAH'S ARK STORY BOOK CRAFT

Items Needed: The Story of Noah's Ark Book Printed Sheet, Crayons or washable markers

**Connection:** We can remember the whole story of Noah: God's warning, Noah's obedience, the big boat, the animals, the rain, and God's promise! This book helps us see how God's plan unfolded step by step.

Step 1: Distribute the printed Noah's Ark story page and crayons to each child.

Step 2: Have the kids color the pictures on the page.

**Step 3:** Help kids fold into a book.

## COLORIDG SHEET: NOAH BYIDS AD ARK COIORING SHEET

Items Needed: Coloring sheet and crayons.

**Connection:** Noah listens and obeys God when He tells him to build the ark. We should listen and obey God too.

**Step 1:** Distribute the coloring sheets and allow time to color.

