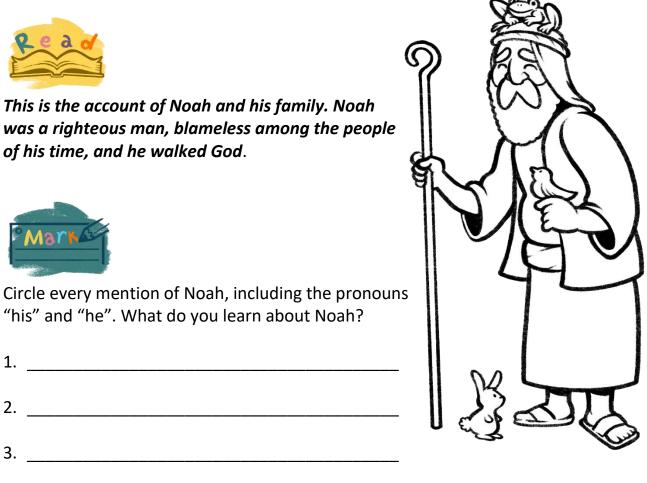
NOAH

Noah was a great man in the Bible. When we first learn of him in Genesis 6:9, we read:



Let's see if we saw the same things!

"This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God."

- 1. Noah had a family.
- 2. Noah was righteous (did what is right in God's eyes) and blameless among the people.
- 3. Noah walked with God.



What does it mean to walk with God? And how do you think that impacted Noah's life?

This story was originally written in the Hebrew language so to understand what God is saying, let's look at how the Jews, who spoke Hebrew, would understand this. The word used here for "walk" means "to accompany, continues along, moves, travels, went along continually." So, whenever Noah went, he went with God. He never left God behind.

In Amos 3:3, the prophet (preacher) Amos asked the Hebrews, *Do two walk* together unless they have agreed to do so?



To understand this better, think about the walks you take with your mom or dad. In order to walk together, you must 1) go at the same time, 2.) in the same direction and, as much as is possible, 3.) at the same pace. It's much the same when we walk with God - we agree to go where He wants us to go, when He wants us to go and, as much as possible, in the same manner He would go.

So, walking with God means to agree to live in a way that agrees with God and His instructions for how we should live. When we do, it's called righteousness!

What a wonderful lesson for us! We can do what is right when we agree to live in a way that pleases God!

Because Noah walked with God, God gave him a BIG assignment! We'll look at that in another lesson.

When I learn something new about God through His Word, I like to say a short prayer to thank Him for teaching me more about Him and how to please Him.

Join me!

"God, thank you for showing me that when I live in a way that pleases you, it makes a difference in my life and in the lives of people around me. Please help me to walk with you."

Amen!

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