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### Gather round a candle together for the Opening Prayer

Thank you, God, for loving us, for guiding us to do the right thing and forgiving us when we are thoughtless and unkind. Help us to listen to your stories from the Bible so we can understand your words and grow closer to you.



Amen

### The Bible Reading

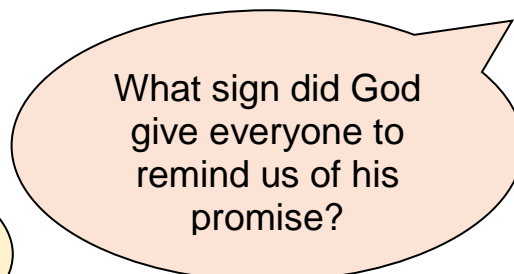
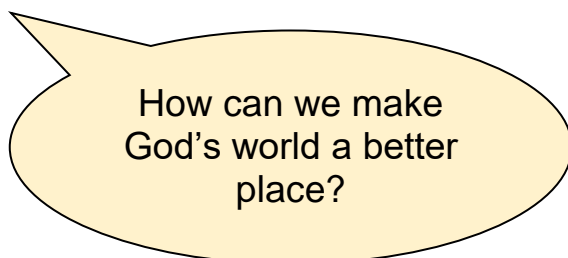
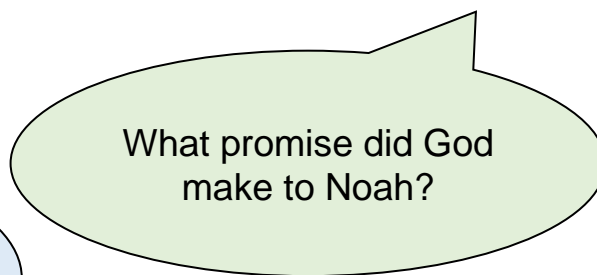
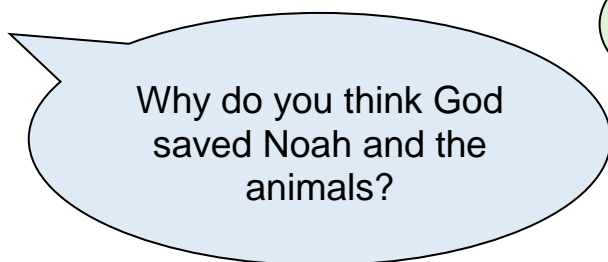
God was sad because his beautiful world had been spoiled. The people in the world did not share and they were unkind to each other. Noah loved God and he tried to love and care for everyone. God told Noah to build a huge boat that could float on water. The boat was called the ark. Noah and his family filled the ark with animals and birds of every kind. When they were safe in the ark the rain began to fall. Soon, there was deep water everywhere, but Noah and his family and the animals were safe, floating in the ark. God stopped the rain and after a while dry land began to appear again. Noah thanked God for keeping his family safe. God promised that he would never flood all the earth again. God said that the rainbow would be a sign of his promise.

This is the word of the Lord

*Response:* Thanks be to God



## Reflection



## Five Finger Prayer

The five finger prayer was developed by Pope Francis. We use our hand to pray. Each finger is given to the most important groups of people we should pray for.



### Finger 1 – Our Family

With our first finger, we pray for those who are closest to us, our family and our friends.

We pray that we may be inspired to show our love for all and do all that we can to respect and protect God's wonderful world.

Lord of all creation

*All:* Help us look after your wonderful world.



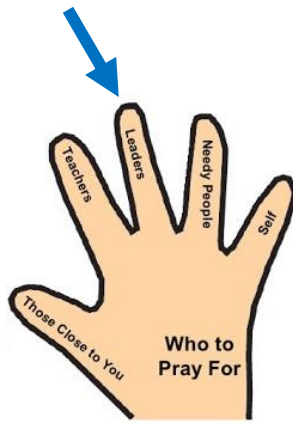
### Finger 2 – Those who point the way

With our second finger we think about those people who point the way such as priests and teachers.

We pray for the Church throughout the world: that it may be a place of giving, of love and of peace.

Lord of all creation

*All:* Help us look after your wonderful world.



Finger 3 – The tallest finger, those who lead us

We pray for world leaders: that they may be inspired to care for God’s creation.

Lord of all creation  
*All:* Help us look after your wonderful world.



Finger 4 – The ring finger, those who are weak, in trouble or pain

We pray for all people who are sad, lonely, frightened, sick or troubled: that God may give them hope.

Lord of all creation  
*All:* Help us look after your wonderful world.



Finger 5 – Prayers for me

Pope Francis says that when we have prayed for other people, we can ask God for our own needs.

Spend a few moments quietly praying to God.

Rainbow Prayer

Thank you God for loving me  
 Help me to be patient with others  
 Help me to look after the world I live in  
 Help me to be gentle with animals and pets  
 Help me to be a better listener  
 Strengthen my faith so it inspires others  
 Help me to pray to make the world a better place

Amen

## Things you can do

Pope Francis wrote a letter called Laudato Si to remind us how much God loves the world. He encourages us to look after the world and share with others.



## Rainbow of hope

Make a rainbow of hope to cheer someone up. You could also make a rainbow to help you say the rainbow prayer.

## Look after the planet

Pope Francis asks us to care for the earth. See if you can help pick up rubbish in your parish and school to make where you live a better place.



## Animals in danger

Find out about the animals in the ark. Some animals in the world are in danger because people and pollution are destroying their homes. How can you help them?

## Noah's Qualities

Noah was kind.  
Noah was good.  
Noah listened to God.  
How can you be kind, good and listen to others this week?

