

Opener: Think of a time when you deserved punishment.

What happened? Were you sorry? Did you receive punishment?

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(Relate a situation from your own experience in childhood when you deserved punishment but were spared)

In our Answer story, Kim escaped punishment *when she repented*.

God's love provides a way to escape punishment.

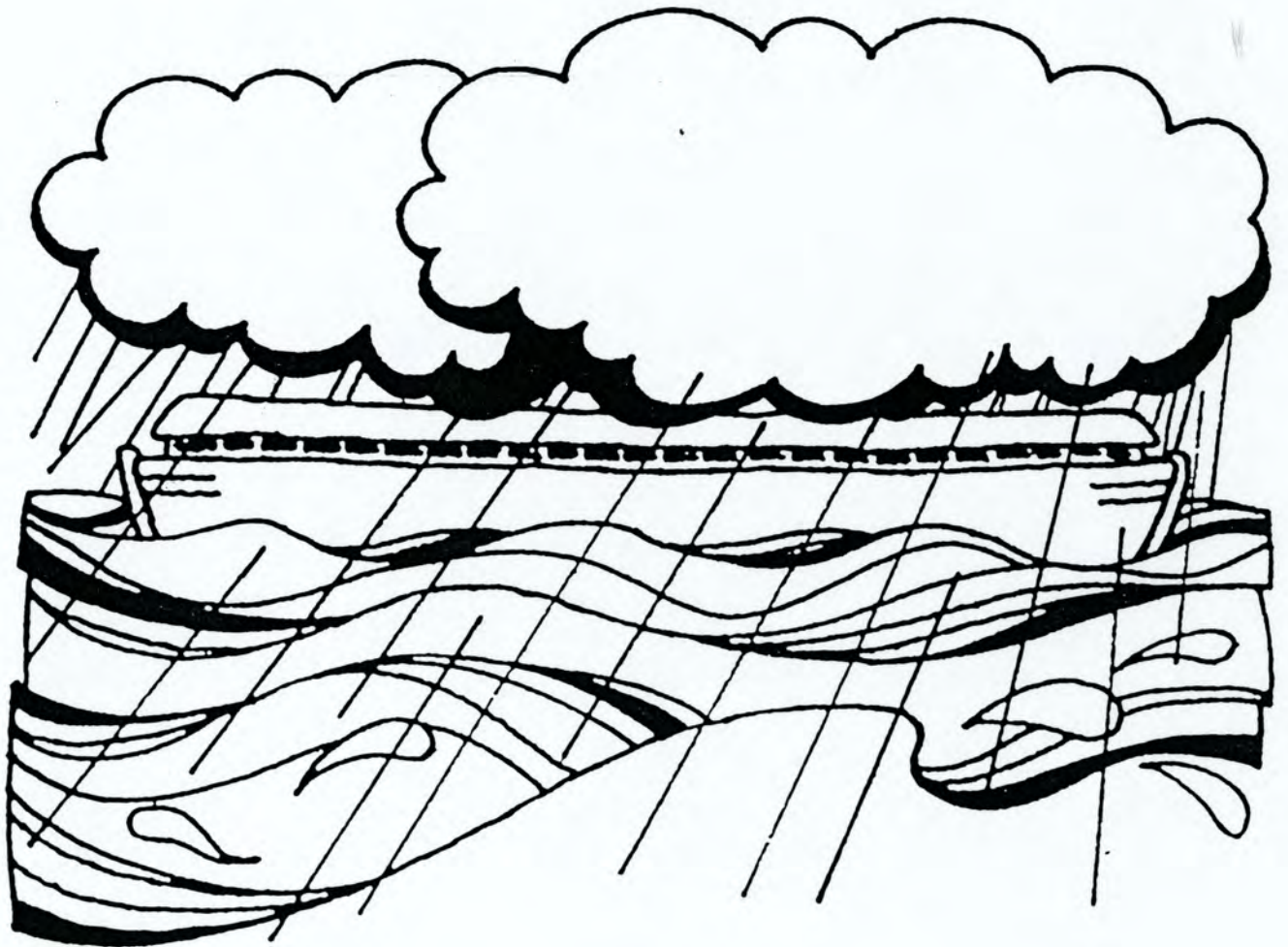
*Relate story of Noah and the flood.*

Noah escaped by obeying God. **What must we do to prepare for heaven?**

*Show illustrations of the Ark and the Cross*

When Jesus died on the cross, He paid the penalty -- He took the punishment for our sins, if we will repent and believe. He made a way for us to escape.

Only eight people entered the Ark and escaped the punishment of the flood. How many people will escape punishment by believing in Jesus? Will you?



Opener: Escape! What does that mean? (allow response time)

What kind of things do we try to escape from? (allow response time)

Relate the story of Noah -- (if using Flannelgraph, let the students tell the story)

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## Review questions

1. Why did God want to destroy the earth?
2. How was Noah different from the other people?
3. What did God say the earth was filled with?
4. Whose idea was it to build the ark?
5. How did God plan to save the animals and birds?
6. How many people escaped the flood?
7. How many days did it rain?
8. Who shut the door of the ark?
9. What happened to the people who didn't enter the ark?
10. Why do you think the people didn't believe Noah's warnings about a flood?
11. Why was God protecting Noah and his family?
12. How do you think those people felt when the rains began to fall, and Noah was safe in the ark?
13. How do you think Noah felt when God told him a flood was coming?