

This Week in Sunday School 2.21.21 - Genesis/Noah

Happy Sunday, Friends,

We're going back to the beginning, the book of Genesis. Genesis is filled with Sunday School classics like Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, Abraham and Issac, and Jacob and his drama filled dynasty. This week the sermon verses focus on Noah and the 40 days of flooding rains which feels appropriate during this February which has been nothing but terrible weather. Genesis has a lot going on so our dive is more shallow than deep but it helps set the stage for the rest of our bible journey, so enjoy.....

We are in a special season church right now called Lent. Lent is the 40 days that lead up to Easter. There are lots of ways to make Lent a meaningful time for you. Sometimes people give things up for lent like candy or TV. Or people like to take the time in Lent to learn more about their faith and Jesus. You can also dedicate the time in Lent to do good deeds for others. Another way to participate in Lent is to take time for daily prayers. On Sundays each week during Lent I am going to give you a special project to work on that will hopefully make this Lenten season special for you.

Our project this week focuses on prayer. Our younger friends are being challenged to make a prayer paper chain. While you can absolutely do that if you want, construction paper crafts may not be your thing so we have other options:

-Make a Prayer Jar by writing down people or things that need prayers on slips of paper and taking one out each day and praying for them. You can also write a small prayer each day and put it in the jar and at the end of Lent look at all of the prayers you've collected over 40 days

-Make a Prayer Journal: each day write down one person or one thing that you want to say a prayer for

-Make a Prayer Board - pin pictures or write down people or things you want to pray for - you can go retro and use a bulletin board or make an electronic board. Whatever works.

Finally Friends, Just like during the time of Noah's flood, the world can feel like a great big mess and everything around us can feel broken. But God does not break. God is always faithful and always remembers us and the promises God makes to us. And God puts rainbows in the sky to remind us (and God!) about the promises that God makes to us and never breaks.

I hope you know how much you are loved and missed! We can't wait to be back at church together soon.

Take Care,
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