

AT HOME ACTIVITY GUIDE

WEEK OF OCTOBER 11

BIG IDEA

God promised us mercy.

THE BIBLE

God's Covenant with Noah: Genesis 8:15-22, 9:8-17 (Psalm 85:8-13)

MEMORY VERSE

Joshua 21:45 (NIV

FAMILY TABLE TALK

Use <u>this guide</u> sometime this week as your family gathers for a meal.

This is intended to be super easy to implement and the goal is simply to connect your family to one another and provide opportunities for meaningful conversations.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Visit www.loopkids.org/promise to find this week's videos, coloring pages and this week's Toddler Bible Story.

Also, feel free to check out additional activities below!

YOUNGER KIDS ACTIVITY | Animals on the Ark

Say: There are so many animals on Earth today. . . you can only imagine how many of them made it onto the ark with Noah! Let's pretend to be some of those animals.

INSTRUCTIONS: Write different animals down on pieces of paper and place them in a bowl. Take turns drawing papers out and having your kids act like that animal.

YOUNGER KIDS ACTIVITY | Noah's Ark Water Play

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill a tray or water table with a shallow layer of water. Add a plastic boat or Brown bowl, plastic animals, and small dolls to encourage the kids to re-enact the story of Noah.

YOUNGER & OLDER KIDS ACTIVITY | Rainbow Prayers

INSTRUCTIONS: Give each kid a small handful of rainbow-colored candies or cereal. Tell them to eat one piece at a time, using the colors to direct their prayer. If candy or cereal isn't available, color a circle on a piece of paper and tape it to a paper, as you direct their prayer. Be creative with colored items!

Red: Ask God to show mercy for something you said or did that was unkind.

Orange: Pray for God to help you show mercy to someone who has been unkind to you.

Yellow: Ask God to show mercy for something you have done to harm something in the world God created.

Green: Pray for God to help you take care of God's creation.

Blue: Ask God to show you how much you are loved when you are feeling down or "blue."

Purple: Thank God for the promise of mercy!

FAMILY ACTIVITY | Animals of the Ark Reverse Charades

There are so many animals on Earth today. Can you imagine how many animals were on the ark with Noah? Let's make some guesses about some of them now.

INSTRUCTIONS: Write out a bunch of animal names on pieces of paper. Have one person in your family stand in front of the rest of the group and hold up a piece of paper so that the rest of the family can see it, but not them. The family will act out the animal on the paper or make noises while the guesser tries to guess the right animal. Choose animals that will be age appropriate for your family!

Have older kids? Try some challenging animals such as: porcupine, anteater, sloth, walrus, llama, hyena, bat, buffalo, etc.

CRAFT | Rainbow Craft

SUPPLIES:

- Heavy White Paper
- Cotton Balls or Marshmallows
- Glue
- Fruit Loops cereal

INSTRUCTIONS: Tell your kids that they are going to make their own rainbow today! Give your kids a piece



of heavy white paper and some cotton balls. Have them glue on their cotton balls or marshmallows first. After that give them some fruit loops in the following colors: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. Have them separate them into piles by color, then show them how to glue one color at a time on their paper to make a rainbow!

FOOD CRAFT | Rainbow Fruit Pizza

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 sheet seamless crescent roll dough
- 8 ounces vanilla Greek yogurt
- 6 large fresh strawberries
- 4 ounces canned mandarin oranges
- 2 kiwis
- 1/3 cup fresh blueberries
- 1/3 cup fresh blackberries



INSTRUCTIONS: Preheat oven to 375 degrees. On a lightly greased baking sheet, gently roll out the crescent sheet to make a rectangle, lightly pressing the dough to shape as needed. Trim away the edges of the dough to form a rainbow, and gently press down the corners so that they do not flare up during baking. Bake for 8-12 minutes, until lightly golden and crispy. Remove and let cool to room temperature.

While the pizza crust bakes. Prepare the fruit. Cut the tops off of the strawberries and slice thinly; rinse mandarin oranges and pat dry; peel and slice kiwis into coins, then slice the coins in half crosswise to form half-moons. Simply wash and pat dry the blueberries and blackberries. Set fruit aside.

Spread the yogurt over the top of the cooled crust, leaving a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch border around all sides. Arrange the strawberries along the outermost edge, point down to form the first rainbow stripe. Follow with a stripe of oranges, then kiwis, then blueberries, ending with the blackberries as the lower-most stripe. Serve immediately or refrigerate for up to a few hours. Slice and serve.