

# GENESIS 7-12

## WEEK IN REVIEW + FAMILY GUIDE



### WEEK IN REVIEW

We continue the story of Scripture with Noah, his family, and all the animals entering the ark. The world is corrupted with brokenness and the Lord in His righteous judgment sends a flood to wipe away the evil. Noah trusted God and was obedient to do everything God commanded him to do. The great flood went away, and Noah built an altar to the Lord as an act of thankfulness and worship. The Lord made a promise to never send a flood, which is called the Noahic Covenant. A covenant is a really strong promise that will never be broken. God sends a rainbow as a reminder of His promise to Noah that He would never again destroy the earth.

We then see a genealogy, which is a record of names in a family. There is a list of people (starting with Noah) after the flood as God commanded them to “be fruitful and increase in number and fill the earth.” We see seventy names listed in this genealogy. It shows us that God knows and cares for each person by name during that time, just like He knows and cares for each person on earth today! People turn back to sin again and again, and they decide to build a huge tower called the Tower of Babel in order to make a name for themselves. Instead of filling the earth, they wanted to stay in one place and chose to disobey God. God scattered the people across the earth and confused their language, which is the beginning of the nations.

After that, we are introduced to an important man named Abraham. God calls Abraham in order to make a great nation out of him. He promised Abraham: Land (*the Promised Land*), seed (*a family more numerous than the stars in the sky*), and blessing (*all nations of the earth will be blessed through his family*). This promise to Abraham is called the Abrahamic Covenant. It is very important to remember, and sets the foundation of God’s relationship with His people. Continue on with us in the book of Genesis as we see the unfolding of God’s big story!

## FAMILY GUIDE

<b>BIG IDEA:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Our God is a promise keeper!</li></ul>
<b>KEY STORIES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● The Flood</li><li>● Tower of Babel</li><li>● Call of Abraham</li></ul>
<b>KEY VERSES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Genesis 9:13</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.</li></ul></li><li>● <b>Genesis 12:2-3</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>WORDS TO KNOW:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Covenant</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A really strong promise between two parties that should not be broken.</li></ul></li><li>● <b>Genealogies</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A record of names in a family</li></ul></li><li>● <b>Tower of Babel</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A tower built by Noah's descendants (probably in Babylon) who intended it to reach up to heaven</li></ul></li><li>● <b>Faith</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A complete trust or confidence in something or someone. Hebrews 11:1 tells us that, “Faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.”</li></ul></li></ul>

## Reflection Questions

<b>1.</b>	What did God promise after the flood? What was the symbol of it?
<b>2.</b>	What is the word for a really strong promise?
<b>3.</b>	What story do we see the beginning of the nations?
<b>4.</b>	What are the three things that God promised Abraham?