

## Noah thanks God.

## Genesis 8:1—9:17

It had rained for 40 days and 40 nights. There was water everywhere! But finally, it stopped raining. God made a wind blow over the earth to dry up the water from the flood. It took days and days and weeks and weeks for the water to dry up. Noah and his family were shut up inside the big boat for a long time!

But one day God said, "Noah, come out of the ark now. Bring your family with you. And bring all those birds and other animals that have been living in the ark with you, too."

What an exciting day that must have been! Noah and his family and all the animals paraded out of

the big boat. When Noah got outside, the first thing he and his family did was to thank God for keeping him and his family safe during the flood.

God made a special promise to Noah. God promised, "I will NEVER again cover the whole earth with a flood." To remind everyone of His promise, God put a beautiful rainbow in the sky. Of course, Noah and his family remembered God's promise every time they saw a rainbow! And even now, whenever we see a rainbow, we can remember that God always keeps His promises. We can remember that God loves us and will always take care of us.