

Netherhall St James Collective Worship  
Wednesday 24th of September 2025

For this worship we are exploring the value of Hope in God's promises.

- At the end of today's story, **God makes a promise** never to flood the earth again.
- The **rainbow** becomes a **symbol of hope** — a sign that even after hard times, something beautiful can come.
- This shows that **God keeps His promises**, and we can always have **hope in Him**, no matter what.

*"I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth." – Genesis 9:13*



*Before we begin let us gather together and light our special candle.*



Leader: "Let us live our vision of."

Response: "Learning together in god's Love."



# Noah's Ark

God saw that all the people on the earth were acting badly,  
so he decided to send a flood that would wipe out evil.



However, there was one good man on earth. His name was Noah and God trusted him.

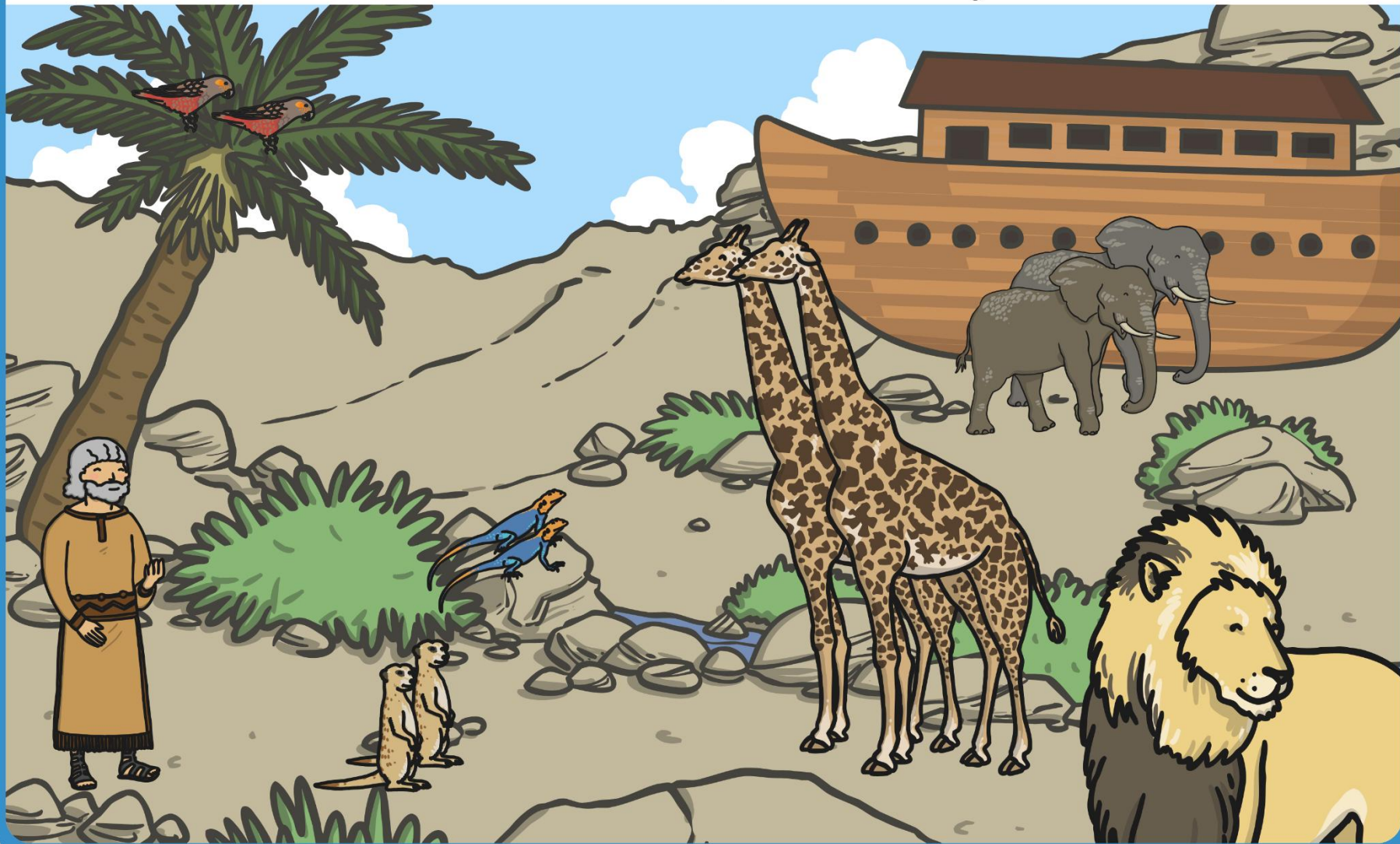




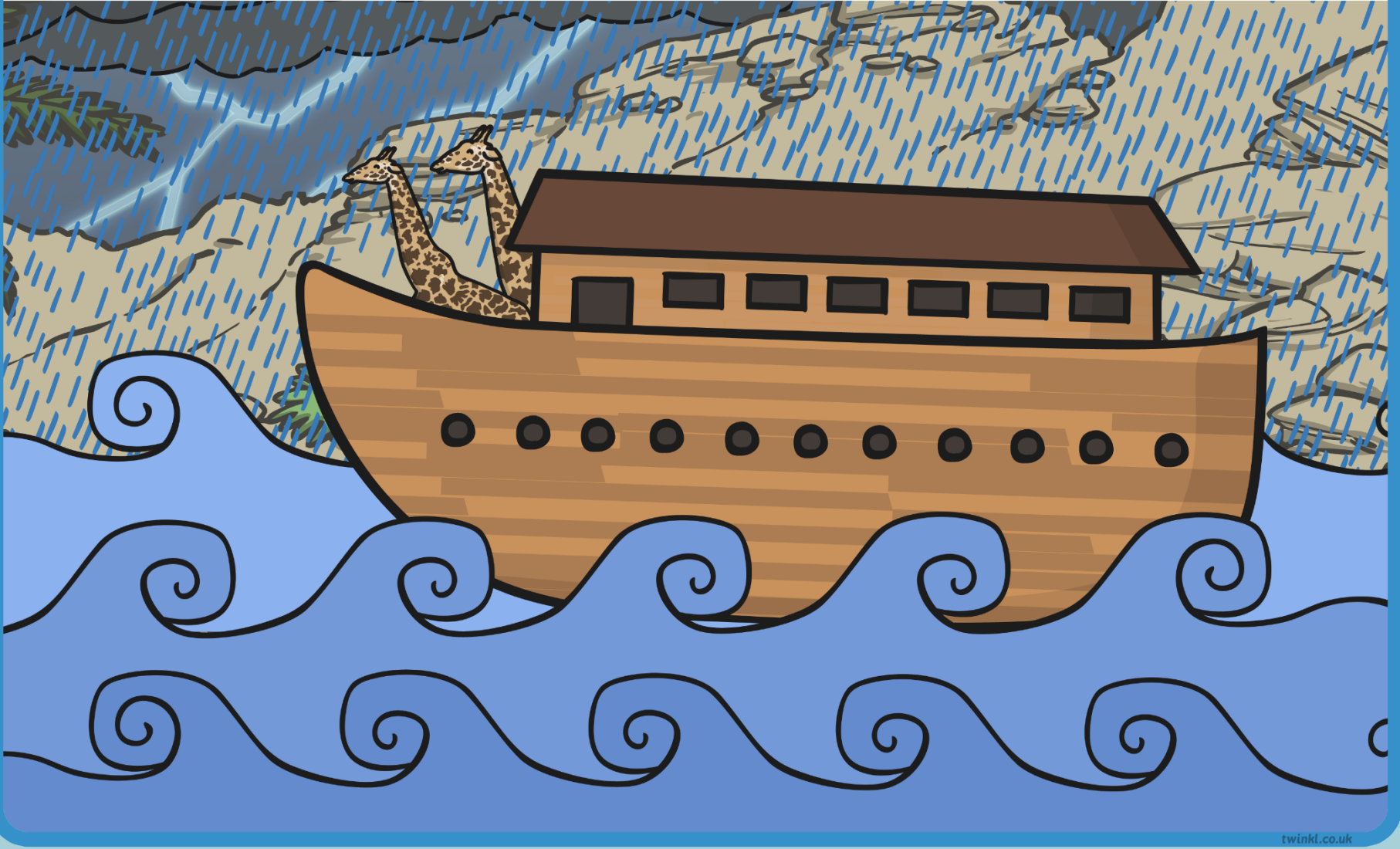
God decided that he would save Noah by telling him that the flood was coming.  
He would instruct Noah to build a really big boat called an ark.



After Noah had built the ark, God told him to put two of every animal on the earth in it, both male and female.



When Noah, his family and the animals were all safely on the ark, the rain began to fall. It kept falling for forty days and nights.





The waters flooded the earth. Every living thing on the face of the earth was wiped out except for Noah, his family and the animals who were safe in the ark.





When the sun came out, the waters started to dry up and the ark came to rest on a mountain. Noah sent out a raven to find dry land but it came straight back.



A few days later he sent out a dove. The dove returned with a leaf in its beak.  
When the dove was sent out again it did not return.



‘The waters must have dried up completely!’ exclaimed Noah.  
So all of the animals and Noah’s family left the ark.





God promised that he would never again send another flood that covered the earth and made a rainbow in the sky to remind everyone of his promise.



## **Understanding the Story**

- 1. Who was Noah, and what did God ask him to do?**
- 2. What animals do you remember from the ark?**
- 3. How do you think Noah felt when God told him to build a big boat?**
- 4. What do you think it was like to live on the ark for so long?**

# Time to reflect...

## *Personal Connection*

*Have you ever had to do something that was hard, like Noah did? What helped you?*

*Noah listened to God even when others didn't. Can you think of a time you did the right thing, even when it was hard?*



