# **Hidden Messiah**

Part 2: Noah's Ark Genesis 6-8

## Launch

What is the biggest boat you've ever been on?

## Explore

#### Read Genesis 6:5-19

Why did God flood the earth? Why did He save Noah and his family?

#### Read Genesis 9:7-15 and Luke 22:14-20

What is a covenant? What kind of covenant did God establish with Noah?

How is the new covenant of Jesus better than all the previous ones?

#### Read 2 Peter 3:9-10

What does this passage reveal about God's character?

# Apply

Read and discuss this quote from theology professor Brandon Smith:

Even though God executed judgment because people refused to forsake sin, he still showed grace to those who trusted him. The problem, though, is that Noah's ability to build an ark and survive the flood didn't include any power to escape the corruption in his own heart. There needed to be another Noah story that didn't end in sin or curses—one that would conclude with consistent obedience, salvation, and a guarantee that water judgment would never be needed again. Jesus brings us this better story.

How is our world still like it was in the days of Noah? How do you see the results of corruption and sin in your own life?

Who in your relational world needs to know the good news of Jesus? How can you be like Noah and be a "preacher of righteousness?"

# Pray

Thank God for his grace and mercy. Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with people in your oikos.