

LESSON 9
“OBEDIENCE”
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BIBLE CONNECTION

Genesis 6:6-22 (pages 8-9)
Genesis 8:8-12 (pages 10-11)

CHARACTER WORD

Obedience – doing what I am told to do with a happy, submissive spirit

TEACHING OBJECTIVE

I can obey God even in the face of challenging situations.

MEMORY LINK

Genesis 6:22

“Thus Noah did; according to all that God commanded him, so he did.”

(KBC Study Bible pg. 9)

SUPPLIES NEEDED THIS WEEK

GET CONNECTED

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

MEMORY LINK ACTIVITY

Option 1: fly swatter, index cards

Option 2: index cards

BIBLE CONNECTION

Bandana or strips of fabric

SURF TEAM LEADER

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens

MAKE-IT-STICK REVIEW GAME

Option 1: bandana or strips of fabric; Option 2: one fly swatter per team; index cards

Noah Obeys God

WHAT’S THE POINT?

Noah’s story is about a man who was told of coming rain and was told to build an ark to save his family and animals. He works to complete this task for many years, then faithfully stays in the ark until all the water has safely receded and the land is ready for humans again. Imagine the faith and obedience it took to complete his God-given task.

We desire to help children understand that sometimes it takes a lot of effort to fully obey. Sometimes they want to only obey some things, but not all. Even though it’s not always easy to obey their parents or those in authority over them, they need to know it’s the right thing to do and they should always strive to obey what they are asked to do. They obey God when they obey others.

GET CONNECTED

10-15 Minutes – Building relationships in Surf Teams; introducing today’s lesson.



Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

Use the following conversation prompts to get to know the kids in your surf team and to introduce today’s lesson.

- Our character word is obedience. What does that mean?
- Is it always easy to obey?
- Today we will hear about a man who didn’t give up. He obeyed all the instructions God gave him. What makes kids want to give up? What makes kids want to obey?
- What are ways you can show obedience at home and at school?



Guide clubbers to locate and mark today’s Bible Connection and Memory Link in their Bibles so they can find the pages quickly as directed in the session.

WORSHIP TIME

Pointing hearts toward God

Remember, songs are tools and vehicles for worship. These song suggestions focus on God’s promises and our commitment to obey and serve Him because of His great love for us: “Oceans” by Hillsong United, “Your Promises” by Elevation Worship or “I Give You My Heart” by Hillsong.



BIBLE CONNECTION



Teaching today's Character Word through a gospel-centered Bible story.

Bandana or strips of fabric

Set the Stage

Invite two groups of two students to demonstrate the three-legged race. (Two sets or more of your oldest boys are suggested.) After the race, interview the participants and encourage them to reflect upon what helped them complete the task. Emphasize with the students that they had to match their steps with each other and they had to work together. Thank the helpers and send them back to the group.

Tell the Story

The Bible tells us of a man who walked with God. Turn to page 8 and read Genesis 6:9 from the KBC Study Bible. Think about the three-legged race you just saw. Walking with God means Noah had to listen to God and follow, or obey, his commands. Unfortunately, Noah was the only man on earth who listened and obeyed God. The world became so evil that the Bible said God was sorry He ever made man. But God remembered Noah. What did the Bible say about Noah? He was a just man, perfect, walked with God.

Read Genesis 6:13 aloud. *Wow. God told Noah He was going to destroy the whole earth. So, in the following verses we read how God told Noah to build an ark, a very large boat. God told Noah what to make, how big to make it, what materials to use, and what to put in the ark. And the Bible said Noah did everything just as God commanded. Noah obeyed God.*

How many of you have seen a picture of Noah's ark before? Well, get this... Noah had never seen an ark before either, and he had never seen a flood, or rain! But God instructed him to build an ark for the flood that was coming! Now remember, this was a long time ago – before machines and equipment that are used to build a ship or a boat today. So, Noah and his family had to build this boat by hand... and guess what? It took them about 100 years to complete it! How hard do you think it was for Noah to keep going to build the ark? Was he obeying God? What do you think Noah's neighbors were saying? They were probably laughing at him, wondering what he was building and why it was taking so long! Noah lived among people who didn't believe in God but it didn't stop him. He kept on working until he finished the ark.

When the ark was finished, Noah continued to obey God. He filled up the ark with all of the food, all of the animals and his family just like God had told him to do. Then our Bible tells us God closed the door. Did you catch that? God was the one that closed the door to the ark. Then it began to rain. It rained for 40 days and 40 nights and the water covered the earth for 150 days.

Then, the rained stopped but Noah waited for God to tell him what to do. Soon, God told Noah it was time to leave the ark. So, Noah and his family and all of the animals left. After he left the ark, the first thing Noah did was build an altar, a place to worship God. Noah and his family were saved from the flood because Noah listened and obeyed everything God told him to do.

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As You Prepare

Read Genesis chapters 6-8 for the complete story of Noah to help you prepare for this week's lesson. Think about some times in your own life when you were faithful and obedient to God. Did you follow just part of His teachings or all of them? How were your circumstances like Noah's? Pray that God will open the hearts of your kids to obey God completely this week.

Teaching Tip

As you prepare to teach, always begin your study time in prayer. Listen to God speak to you through your study. Ask Him to guide you to present His word to kids accurately and age appropriately. For more helpful tips on "Presenting God's Truth" see pages 18-21 in the KBC Leadership Manual Volume 2: Beach Club Essentials.

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