



# Junior Church

**LESSON PLANS: 24-01-21**

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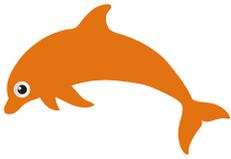
## Junk modelling

**Activity time:** 10–20 minutes

**Aim:** to think about how God saves his people

**You will need:** toy animals and people, a bowl of water, 'junk' such as cardboard tubes, foil trays

1. Say that you have saved some junk from the bin. Explain that God wants to save all of his people from the effects of sin. Noah's boat saved eight people from the flood but, through Jesus, God wants to save everyone.
2. Challenge the children to build boats, then fill them with toys and take it in turns to see whose boat floats best on the water.
3. Praise God that he made a way for everyone to be saved: through Jesus!



# Dolphins

(Age 3, F1 & F2)

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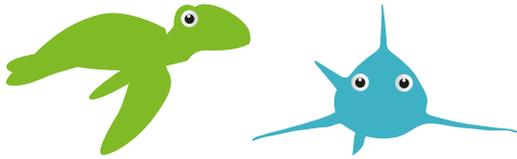
## Make a boat

**Activity time:** n/a

**Aim:** to find out how God was kind to Noah and showed him how to make a boat

**You will need:** a climbing frame, blankets, giant cardboard boxes, chairs

1. Children enjoy making and playing in 'dens'. In this session, make a den with a difference. Gather everything you can to make a 'boat' big enough for you all to go inside. Work together to create your own version of Noah's boat – it can be as elaborate or as simple as equipment, time, space, safety and ingenuity allow!
2. As you build, talk about the story as if you are really making a boat like Noah's. Remember to load on plenty of food supplies and to make rooms to hold all the animals.
3. Encourage the children to play informally, pretending to be Noah or the animals.
4. Enjoy using the boat for more formal parts of the session later, like the Bible story.
5. It is time to go onto the boat! Encourage the children to come aboard and to bring the toy animals with them. Can they find space to sleep? What will they feed the animals? Is everyone dry? The animals may be a bit frightened: be kind to them!
6. Remind the children that God had thought of everything: food and shelter for the animals and Noah's family. Because Noah did exactly what God told him, everyone and everything in the boat was safe.



# Turtles Sharks

(Year 1 & 2)

(Year 3 & 4)

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## Creative prayer

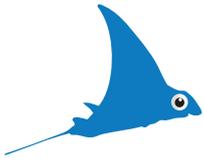
**Activity time:** 10–15 minutes

**Aim:** to pray about following God's way throughout the week

**You will need:** footprints and sign from page 26, black paper

1. Help each child to cut out the signpost from page 26 and glue it at the top of a sheet of black paper.
2. Ask for suggestions of things we can do to show God that we want to follow him. Encourage the children to write or draw them on the footprints. Help them to cut out the footprints and glue them in a line on the sheet of paper.
3. Suggest the children think about one footprint a day as they pray, for example, 'Help me to be helpful at home.' Finish by praying all together: 'Dear God, help us to follow your way this week.' Remind the children that if we do wrong, we need to say sorry to God.





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## Xstream

**Activity time:** 5–10 minutes

**Aim:** to remember that God forgives us

**You will need:** copies of the Xstream sheet from page 27

1. Look together at the Xstream sheet from page 27.
2. Say that, when we become friends with Jesus, he forgives us for everything we've done wrong. It's like he's wiped it out – and this is all because he died to take our punishment.
3. Encourage the children to look within the wordsearch for words from the verses, then to use a pencil to circle anything they would really like God to forgive them for. Pray with them, encouraging them that God forgives everyone who is really sorry. Then invite them to use an eraser to delete their pencil marks as a sign of forgiveness.

# New people, new ways



Find these words in  
the wordsearch below:

angry

hateful

evil

insults

cruel

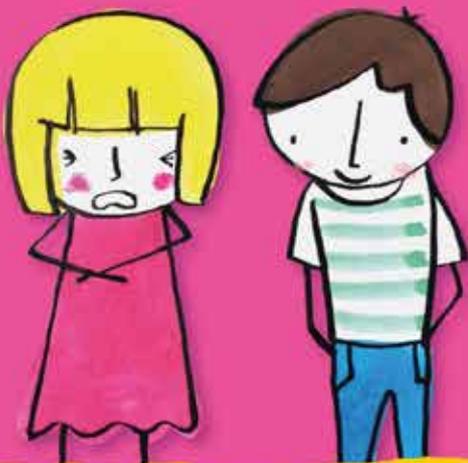
lying

When we choose to be friends with God, we choose to live in a way that pleases him:

"But now you must stop ... being angry, hateful and evil. You must no longer say insulting or cruel things about others. And stop lying to each other."

(Colossians 3:8,9)

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Remember - God forgives everyone who is really sorry!