



## Noah

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### I. Hope when the floodwaters rise.

- When have you seen the “floodwaters” rise in your life?
- God said to Noah, “I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out.” (Genesis 6:13-14)
- “For forty days the flood kept coming on the earth, and as the waters increased they lifted the ark high above the earth.” (Genesis 7:17)

### II. The promise of the olive leaf. (Genesis 8:6-11)

- “When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf! Then Noah knew that the water had receded from the earth.” (Genesis 8:11)
- “During trying times, God sends an olive leaf of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ us there is dry land after a flood.” (Max Lucado)
- “\_\_\_\_\_ I leave with you; my \_\_\_\_\_ I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” (John 14:27)

### III. Jesus is calling, ready to receive all who will \_\_\_\_\_ to His voice and \_\_\_\_\_ Him. (Matthew 24:36-44)

- “So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.” (Matthew 24:44)
- Jesus saves, not by an \_\_\_\_\_, but through the \_\_\_\_\_. “He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.” (1 Peter 2:24)

### IV. To think and pray about and apply to your life:

- Where are you right now? Safely docked in a secure port? Drifting? Water rising? Are you “on board” with Jesus during this season?
- Is there an “olive leaf” that you need to receive right now to assure you? Can you give an “olive leaf” to someone else to encourage them?

*Looking ahead...Next week we will focus on Sarah, the woman whom God promised would give birth to a nation (Genesis 11-22).*

Ark, cross  
Listen, receive  
Peace, peace  
Hope, assure  
**Answers:**