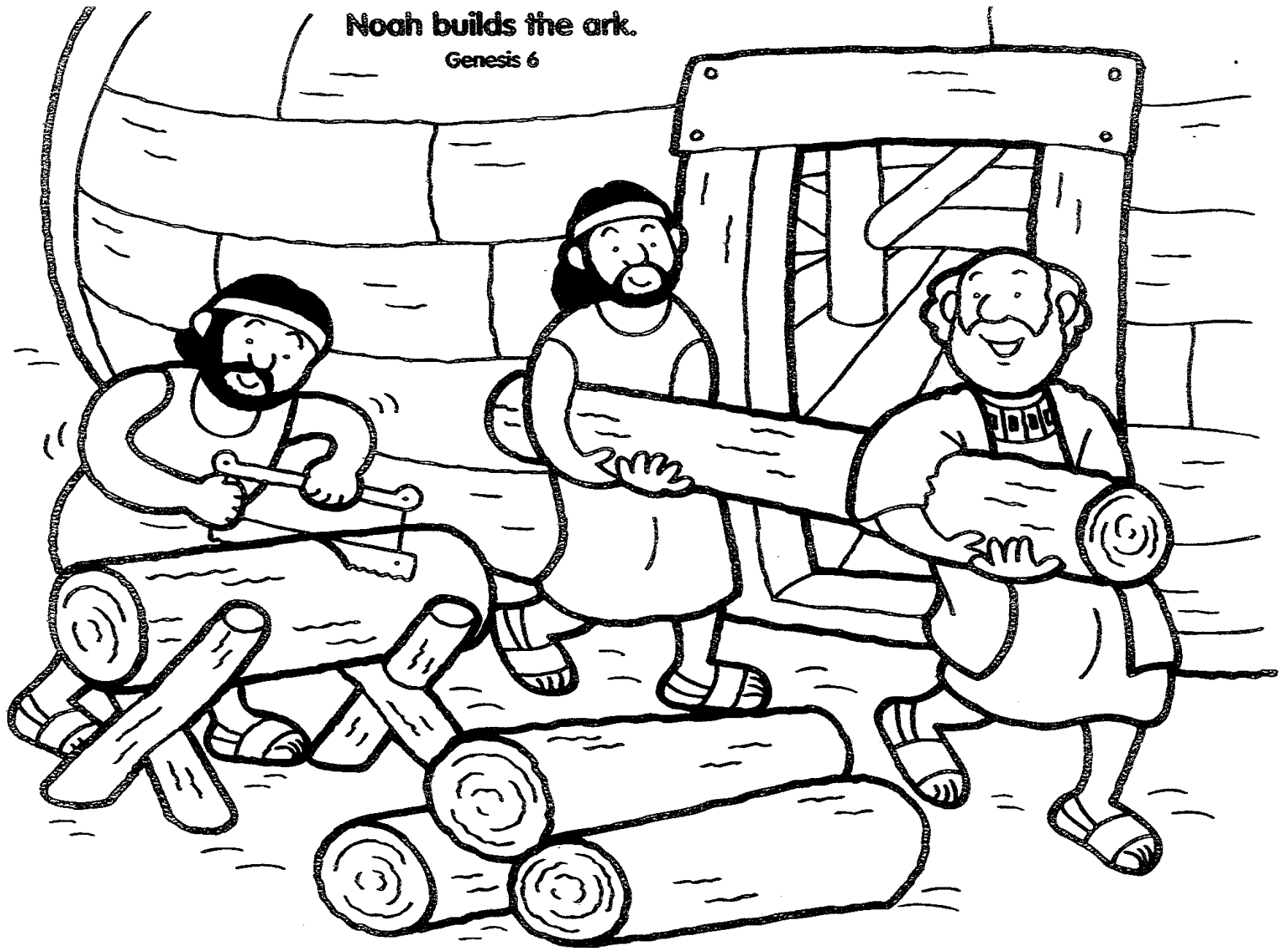


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After God made the world, more and more people were born. But as the years went by, people forgot about God. They said things that were not true. They took things that did not belong to them. They did things to hurt each other. They didn't obey God.

But there was a man named Noah. Noah loved God. He did what was right. One day God said, "Noah, I am going to stop all the terrible things that people keep doing. I want you to build a big wooden boat." This big boat was called an ark.

God told Noah that He was going to send a lot of rain. The rain would make a big flood. The whole earth would be covered with water! But Noah and his family would be safe inside the big boat.

God told him how tall and how long to make the boat. God told Noah what kind of wood to use. God even told Noah where to put the window and the door!

Noah and his family obeyed God. They started building the big boat. Noah and his three sons cut down trees. They sawed the wood into boards. They hammered the boards together. Noah and his family worked hard to make the boat just the way God had said.

Finally the boat was finished! Noah and his family were ready for the flood of water. They were glad God told them to build the big boat. They knew God was taking care of them.