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Help kids learn the value in talking to God. Ask for prayer requests. Write on the white board "Praise" – "Petition" – "Thanksgiving" – "Confession."

- Have kids give suggestions for **Praise** (ex: God is holy, amazing, awesome, our rock).
- Have kids give **Petitions** (needs/please help)
- Have kids give **Thanksgiving** (what are they thankful for)
- Remind them that in a public prayer, we typically pray that God forgives us, but we don't get specific in our **confessions**.
- Lead kids in prayer.

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE: (5 minutes)

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BIBLE LESSON: (25 minutes)

Use White Erase Boards for this lesson. We will "speed draw" – 30 seconds per set of verses.

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We will read a few verses and you will draw a picture to show what we just read. (After reading each set of verses, let kids take 30 seconds to draw and then show their works of art.)

- **1. Read Genesis 6:5-8** More and more people were being born so the world was growing. But God was very sad because he saw that they only thought of evil things **all** of the time. But one man pleased the Lord, Noah.
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- **3. Genesis 7:1-3** Remember our game of pairs? This is why! God told Noah to get seven pairs (seven males and seven females) of every kind of clean animal. And get one pair (one male and one female) of every other animal on the earth and lead all these animals into the boat with his family. That's a lot of animals! We usually see picture of 2 lions, 2 elephants, 2 giraffes, 2 bears walking into the ark. What is different about what these verses say and those pictures? (7 pairs- 14 bears, 14 elephants...)
- **4. Genesis 7:11-14 and 20.** Noah was 600 years old when God shut the door of the ark and the rains came down. That's really old! It rained for 40 days and 40 nights. The whole earth was covered in water and verse 20 tells us how high the water got!. Only Noah, his family and the animals on the ark lived.
- **5. Genesis 8:2-5** When it finally quit raining, it was time to wait for the water to dry up. But the water was so high that even the mountains were covered with water so they had to wait a long time. After 150 days the water was low enough that the boat touched land again. It was on Mt. Ararat. But it still wasn't dry enough to get out of the ark.
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- **8. Genesis 9:3** Before this, people could only eat plants. Now, God said, "In the past, I gave you the green plants to eat. Now every animal will also be food for you. I give you everything on earth—it is yours." This is when God said it was okay to eat hamburgers and barbeque chicken!
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