Noah was a just man, and . . . he walked with God (Moses 8:27).

Noah was the great-great-great-great-grandson of Adam. He was a good man, but most people in his day were wicked. Heavenly Father told them to repent, but they didn’t. They tried to kill him. Heavenly Father told them that because the people were so wicked, He would destroy all living things on the earth in a great flood. He commanded Noah to build an ark on which he, his family, and 2 or more of every animal could be saved. Noah built the ark, and the animals went in. —2 or more of every animal on earth went in. —his wife, his 3 sons, and their wives went in. It started to rain. It rained harder and harder. Fountains opened under the sea and poured out water. It took 40 days.
nights. The whole world was covered with water. Everyone except the people and animals on the ark was drowned. After 40 days, the rain stopped and the ark was closed. The water started to go down. Months later, the ark came to rest on a mountain. God sent a rainbow if the water was gone. The rainbow came back. The water was still gone. God sent the animals out again a week later, and it came back with a sign in its mouth. The water was going down. The next week, God sent the ark out once more, and it did not come back. The water was gone. When the world was dry, his family and the animals left the ark. God built an altar and gave thanks. He made the rainbow in the sky as a sign that He would never destroy the earth again by flood. Many centuries later, as the angel Gabriel, told Zacharias that John the Baptist was born to Elisabeth. He also told Mary that she would give birth to Jesus Christ. He was a great prophet, and we know all his descendants.

(See Genesis 5–8; Moses 8:13–30; Bible Dictionary—Gabriel.)
NOAH’S ARK

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- Noah preaching
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- Noah receiving revelation
- Noah and his family building ark
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To make a Noah’s ark with a story stage and story picture window, glue these pages to heavy paper. Cut out the ark, the story strip, and each of the story figures. Fold the ark on the broken lines (see diagram). Cut slits along the sides of the picture window. Thread the story strip through these slits, stopping on the first picture. The folded-back rainbow will prop the ark’s story stage. As you tell the story of Noah’s ark and the flood, pull the strip to the left, showing the picture of what you are talking about. At the same time, put the appropriate story figure in the folded-paper “stage” on the ark. As you finish telling the story, fold the rainbow up into the sky. You will have both a play and a picture-show of the story of Noah’s ark.