

The Path

Chapter 2

The Sign of the Covenant

Cain and Abel

Noah and The Ark

After The Flood

The Tower Of Babel

Reflections:

- What was surprising (or interesting or exciting) to you in this week's chapter?
- What challenges you about this week's story?
- Where does this story connect with your life? Where do you hear God speaking in this story to you as an individual? Where is God speaking to us as a community?
- The story of Noah is often told as a children's story, yet it has some difficult parts. What do you notice about this story, reading it again? Which parts are difficult for you? Which parts sound like good news?

The following question below is the question to focus on if you are only able to select one of the questions from the "Questions for the Journey" at the close of chapter 2.

These stories balance God's punishment with God's mercy: God punishes Cain yet also protects him; God destroys nearly all living creatures but saves Noah and a pair of each species of animal. What do these things tell us about God? How do you understand the relationship between God's judgment and God's mercy?