



**Welcome:** What is a quirky or unusual fear that you have?

**Worship:** Listen to *With Lifted Hands* by Ryan Stevenson.

**Word:** Read Genesis 7:17-8:12

Have someone look up and define the word allegory.

Explain how the story of Noah serves as a historical narrative and an allegory.

PBJ has been saying, "Salvation is not just being given the grace to survive, but ultimately also to thrive." Have someone give a quick testimony of how God took trouble, sickness or crisis and reversed the situation to bring a big blessing instead.

God wiped out the earth because the "inclination of every heart was on evil all the time." How was Noah different (righteous)? What lessons can you draw from these dark verses? (7:21-23)

Why do you think the author so greatly illustrated how long Noah had to wait on the flood to recede and dry ground to appear? Discuss the necessity of patience/waiting and endurance in faith?

**Witness:** The ability to be hopeful and peaceful just before the breakthrough we are looking for is incredibly pleasing to God. Have the group members describe the blessings they perceive they are on the verge of and close by praying for each to be filled with peace, joy, and faithful hopeful obedience as they wait.