

Manu and the Flood



Manu was the first human. He found a small fish, who asked for protection against larger fish. In return, the small fish would protect Manu.



Manu looked after the fish, moving it from larger reservoirs of water as it grew, until it was large enough to be let into the ocean.



The fish told Manu there would be a flood, and that he should build a ship.



When the rain poured down and flood waters rose, the fish came and Manu tied his boat to the fish.



The fish led him to a northern mountain, where Manu tied his boat to a tree.



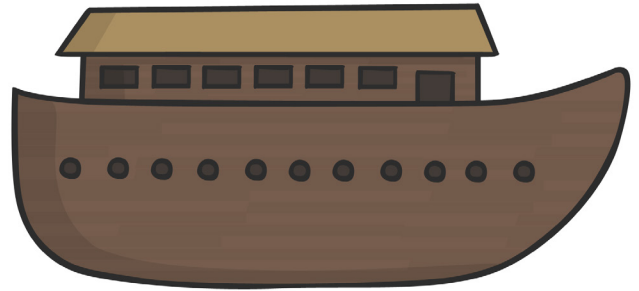
Manu was the only creature to survive. He made offerings of butter, milk, curds and whey. From these offerings a woman arose, and she called herself Manu's daughter.

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Noah's Ark

God saw that all the people on the earth were acting badly, so he decided to send a flood that would wipe out evil.

However, there was one good man on earth. His name was Noah and God trusted him. God decided that he would save Noah by telling him that the flood was coming. He would instruct Noah to build a really big boat called an ark.



After Noah had built the ark, God told him to put two of every animal on the earth in it, both male and female. When Noah, his family and the animals were all safely on the ark, the rain began to fall. It kept falling for forty days and nights. The waters flooded the earth. Every living thing on the face of the earth was wiped out except for Noah, his family and the animals who were safe in the ark.

When the sun came out, the waters started to dry up and the ark came to rest on a mountain. Noah sent out a raven to find dry land but it came straight back. A few days later he sent out a dove. The dove returned with a leaf in its beak. When the dove was sent out again it did not return.

'The waters must have dried up completely!' exclaimed Noah. So all of the animals and Noah's family left the ark. God promised that he would never again send another flood that covered the earth and made a rainbow in the sky to remind everyone of his promise.



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