

Quarter #:	Class Age: 4-6	Lesson Title: Elijah's Chariot
Lesson #: 1	Prepared By: Kim Wahlstrom	Lesson Scripture: Sunday - 1 Kings 19 Wednesday - 2 Kings 2:1-14

Visuals / Resources: slideshows = "Elijah flees to Horeb" and "Elijah and the Chariot of Fire" at
www.freebibleimages.org

Map = Horeb, Jordan Rive

Pictures or props of broom tree, cake of bread, jar of water, mantle, yoke of oxen, wilderness,
chariot of fire

Welcome Activity:

Prayer: Dear God, You are all powerful. Thank You for taking such good care of us and giving us Your word. Please help us to look out for others and help how we can. Please help us to tell others of Your great power and love for us.

Review: 3 kings of Israel under United Kingdom

(show map of divided kingdom) - Jeroboam = 10 tribes, Israel; Rehoboam = 2 tribes, Judah

Lesson Facts: *(Main points to cover...)*

Jezebel threatened Elijah ~ God took care of Elijah in the wilderness
Elijah went to Elisha; Elisha wouldn't leave Elijah
2nd crossing over Jordan on dry ground
Elijah was taken up into heaven by a whirlwind in a chariot of fire

Principle: *(Concept / Key truth to be gained...)*

God will take care of us

Exercise faith in God and His words/commands

God is all-powerful

Application: *(How student can apply...)*

PRAY; Thank God for: taking care of us, His word, being all powerful, and displaying His power
Be bold and courageous in spreading God's word

Activities:

2 Kings 2:8, 13, 14 – act out mantle rolled up, strike the water, walk on dry ground

Craft – paper Elijah with chariot

Songs:

Chorus only - #514 "Be Strong and Courageous, #379 "God Will Take Care of You"; "My God is so Big..."

Other:

Quarter #: 3	Class Age: 4-5	Lesson Title: Ahab and Naboth's Vineyard
Lesson #: 2	Prepared By: Kim Wahlstrom	Lesson Scripture: 1 Kings 20-22 (focus on 20:26-30; 21:1-26)

Visuals / Resources: play slideshow from www.freebibleimages.org ("King Ahab, Jezebel and Naboth's Vineyard")
? pictures or flannelgraph of 2 flocks of goats and army filling the countryside, hills, valley with an "X" through it, vineyard, Ahab, Jezebel, Naboth, 2 frown faces for the 2 scoundrels, split picture of dogs/birds
Map – Jezreel

Prayer: Father in heaven, You have given us everything we need. Thank you for taking care of us and teaching us what is right. Please teach us right from wrong and help us to glorify You.

Review: Elijah was taken up to heaven in a whirlwind (fiery chariot); Elisha took his place:
2 times of crossing the Jordan on dry ground

Lesson Facts: God gave the Israelites victory over the Syrians
Ahab was greedy and covetous in wanting Naboth's vineyard – Jezebel committed murder and lied
Naboth died
Ahab and Jezebel would be punished

Principle: God gives us everything we need
God considers coveting, lying, idolatry, bearing false witness, and murder as sins; there will be consequences and punishments
Be content, thankful

Application: PRAY
Thank God for giving us everything we need and so much more
Do what's right – obey God, Daddy and Mommy
Read God's word (or ask someone to read it to you) so you know what's right

Activities: "Wanting Too Much" activity sheet
put story pictures in order and number them
? ask children to take turns drawing on the board

Songs: "My God is so Big"
10 commandments
"Oh, Be Careful Little Eyes"

Quarter #: 3	Class Age: 4-5	Lesson Title: (Elisha's miracles Part 1) Elisha and Naaman
Lesson #: 3	Prepared By: Kim Wahlstrom	Lesson Scripture: 2 Kings 4-5 (focus on 5:1-17)

Visuals / Resources: play slideshow from www.freebibleimages.org ("Naaman, the Army General with Leprosy")
pictures of felt pieces for each miracle: jar of oil, figure of a little boy, bowl of "stew", loaf of bread, upper room on the wall, leprosy (or round red stickers)
a package of red dot stickers
blue posterboard or bulletin board paper for the Jordan River
Map – Shunem, Gilgal, Syria, Israel, Jordan River

Prayer: Dear Lord, You are all powerful and know what is best for us. Thank You for showing Your power from the beginning of creation until now. Please help us to trust in You and obey You.

Review: Elijah was taken up to heaven in a whirlwind (fiery chariot); Elisha took his place; lessons learned from Ahab and Naboth's Vineyard lesson.

Lesson Facts: briefly mention miracles of widow's oil, healing Shunamite's son, deadly stew, bread loaves multiplying
Naaman, a Syrian commander had leprosy (describe leprosy/show a picture); an Israelite servant girl told him a prophet in Samaria (Elisha) could heal him
Naaman went to Elisha who told him to dip 7x's in the Jordan. When Naaman listened and obeyed, he was healed.

Principle: God is all powerful
listen, trust, and obey God
being prideful will cause problems
God's gift must be accepted and cannot be bought

Application: PRAY
Read and Listen to God's word
Thank God for being all-powerful and being so trustworthy
Do what God says; accept His gifts
Be humble, not prideful

Activities: Give each child a sheet of "leprosy" dots and ask them to put them on. Then they can dip in the water and take off the leprosy.

Songs: "My God is so Big"
#505 "Trust and Obey"

Quarter #: 3	Class Age: 4-5	Lesson Title: (Elisha miracles Part 2) Elisha and the Syrian army
Lesson #: 4	Prepared By: Kim Wahlstrom	Lesson Scripture: 2 Kings 6-8 (focus on 6:8-23)

Visuals / Resources: play slideshow from www.freebibleimages.org (“Elisha and the Syrian Army”)
pictures or felt pieces of a bedroom, eyes, horses and chariots of fire, eyes with an “X” over them
Map – Syria, Dothan (~1/2 way between Mediterranean Sea and Jordan River; in Samaria between Shechem in the south and Jezreel in the north)

Prayer: Dear God and Father, Your power is greatest! Thank you for having power over Satan and hearing and answering our prayers. Please help us to remember to pray anytime and anywhere.

Review: power of God with Naaman

Lesson Facts: king of Syria was making war with Israel
Elisha knew the plans of the king of Syria because of God's power. Elisha told the king of Israel the plans (more than 2 times - 2 Kings 6:10). The Syrian army surrounded the city, but God's army was and is bigger. Elisha prayed for his servant's eyes to be opened and the Syrian army to be blinded.
Elisha lead them straight into Samaria
Read aloud 2 Kings 6:16

Principle: God's power is greatest
prayer works
Elisha trusted in God

Application: PRAY
Praise God for being all powerful and winning against Satan
Thank God for hearing and answering our prayers
Ask God to help us trust Him and have faith in Him
Pray for and with others

Activities: Give each child a sheet of “leprosy” dots and ask them to put them on. Then they can dip in the water and take off the leprosy.

Songs: “My God is so Big”
“I'm In the Lord's Army”
children's songs about prayer

Quarter #: 3	Class Age: 4-5	Lesson Title: Rehoboam (united kingdom divides)
Lesson #: 5	Prepared By: Kim Wahlstrom	Lesson Scripture: 1 Ki. 12; 2 Chron. 10-12 (focus on 1 Ki. 12:1-17, 25-30)

Visuals / Resources: play slideshow from www.freebibleimages.org (“Rehoboam and Jeroboam: The Kingdom Divides”)
paper crown with picture of Rehoboam and the #2 on one side and a picture of Jeroboam and the #10 on the other side; then tear it down the middle during appropriate time
2 paper cut outs of the golden calves
Map – Israel before division; Israel and Judah after (Shaping Hearts for God maps in the Resource Room); Shechem, Egypt, Dan, and Bethel

Prayer: Our Father and God, You are wisest of all and treat us better than we deserve. Thank You for giving us Jesus' example as a servant. Please help us to serve You by serving others and remind us we can pray to You anytime.

Review: 1st three kings of Israel (united kingdom)
victory over Syrians

Lesson Facts: Rehoboam didn't listen to wise advice; thus, the united kingdom divided – Rehoboam over Judah and Benjamin, Jeroboam over 10 tribes
Jeroboam set up golden calves in Dan and Bethel
read 2 Chronicles 12:14?

Principle: treat others pleasing to God
older people are generally wiser
God is always here to help us

Application: PRAY
listen to wisdom
treat others how you want to be treated / serve others and you serve God; God tells us to love our neighbors (everyone)

Activities: worksheet - “Listening is Important”
have children trace or draw a map showing division of Israel and Judah and put a picture of corresponding king over region along with a #2 or a #10; they could draw golden calf over Dan and Bethel

Songs: “The First Three Kings of Israel”
#600 “Love One Another” chorus

Quarter #: 3	Class Age: 4-5	Lesson Title: Kings of Judah Part 1 (Israel taken into captivity; King Joash)
Lesson #: 6	Prepared By: Kim Wahlstrom	Lesson Scripture: 2 Kings 11-22; 2 Chron. 22-36 (focus on 2 Ki. 11-12; 17:5-18)

Visuals / Resources: play slideshows from www.freebibleimages.org (“Israel taken into captivity in Assyria” and “Joash the boy king”)
the king's timeline
picture list of kings of Israel with sad faces and a picture list of kings of Judah with appropriate sad and happy faces
Map – Judah, Israel, Samaria, Assyria

Prayer: God, You are all wise and know what is best for us. Thank You for making us a part of your church and giving us Your word. Please help us to make wise choices and be good examples to each other.

Review: Rehoboam and Jeroboam and the divided kingdom

Lesson Facts: Sunday -- mention kings of Israel show sad face for each one
Israel taken captive by Assyria (Read 2 Kings 17:10-23)

Wednesday – focus on Joash (show how many kings of Judah were pleasing to God); Joash began reigning at age 7 and reigned 40 years. He mostly pleased God but didn't take away high places.

Principle: God takes care of those who follow and obey Him – He cares about us
your example can lead others to or away from God
sin will be punished – God warned them; His word is true

Application: do not just follow the crowd or the ways of the world
be a good example; do the right thing
ask God for wisdom – PRAY
obey God

Activities: Sunday – worksheet (Israel taken captive)
Wednesday – worksheets on Joash (taking care of God's house)

Songs: “My God is So Big”
#379 “God Will Take Care of You”
#505 “Trust and Obey”

Quarter #: 3	Lesson Title: Kings of Judah Part 2 (King Hezekiah)
Lesson #: 7	Lesson Scripture: 2 Kings 11-22; 2 Chronicles 22-36 (focus on 2 Kings 18-22)

Visuals / Resources: the kings' timeline
pictures of Sennacherib's prism, Hezekiah's aqueduct, sundial
Map – Assyria, Judah

Prayer: Dear Father in heaven, by Your power, You hear each of our prayers. Thank You for answering each one. Please help us to remember that You answer each prayer in the best way and time.

Review: King Joash

Lesson Facts: Hezekiah removed high places – 2 Kings 18:4
Israel was taken captive by Shalmaneser King of Assyria in 722 B.C.
Sennacherib besieged Judah; his leaders told the people of Judah not to trust in God and to give themselves over to Assyria. King Hezekiah turned to the Lord. Isaiah gave God's message = 2 Kings 19:32-36. God gave Hezekiah 15 more years to live and healed him.

Principle: God cares, hears our prayers, and answers them
Trust in the Lord
God is all-powerful

Application: PRAY
show God you love and trust Him by: obeying Him, teaching and loving others
read or ask someone to read to you God's word

Activities: sundial activity
Hezekiah's prayer booklet

Songs: “My God is So Big”
#505 “Trust and Obey”
#379 “God Will Take Care of You”

Quarter #: 3	Lesson Title: Minor Prophets (Obadiah, Joel, Amos, Hosea, Micah) Edom, Judah, Israel, Israel, Israel & Judah
Lesson #: 8 (one class only?)	Lesson Scripture: Obadiah 1:1-4; Joel 1:1-4, 16; Amos 1:1, 4, 7, 10, 12, 14; 2:2, 5; 4:6-12; 9:8 Hosea 1:1-2; Micah 1:1-5; 5:2

Visuals / Resources: the kings' timeline (point out during which king(s) each prophet prophesied)
pictures of cliff dwellings, locusts, shepherd, fire, husband/wife and a broken heart
Map – Edom (Obadiah), Bethlehem, Moresheth (Micah), Judah, Israel

Prayer: Dear God, You are very patient. Thank you for loving us and giving us the opportunity to be saved. Please help us to obey You and follow you like the prophets did.

Review: 1st three kings of Israel, divided kingdom
What is a prophet? – remember Elijah and Elisha

Lesson Facts: The prophets endured many hardships and sacrificed many things including homes, wife, families, time, and comforts. They gave up all of those things and sometimes more in order to obey God and encourage people to turn to God.

Principle: God is very patient (longsuffering)
He loves everyone and wants all to be saved. God is merciful. God gave people/nations many warnings and a lot of time to repent. He also warns us through His word and gives us time to repent.
God is just – He punishes/sends judgment on those who won't repent
But, God also gave the people/nations hope just as he gives us hope of eternal life with Him.

Application: PRAY
read or listen to God's word to “hear” His warnings and know His love.
Obey God by obeying Daddy and Mommy – obeying also shows your trust in God
share God and His word with others

Activities: corresponding picture “booklet” on the above prophets

Songs: old testament books/minor prophets
“Obadiah” from Each Little Dewdrop CD
#505 “Trust and Obey”

Quarter #: 3	Lesson Title: Minor Prophets (Habakkuk and Zephaniah)
Lesson #: 9 (one class only?)	Lesson Scripture: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 13-14, 17; 2:1-3, 20; 3:1, 17-19 Zephaniah 1:1-3, 14-16; 2:3; 3:1-5, 14-17

Visuals / Resources: the kings' timeline
pictures of question marks and musical notes, praying hands, happy face
Map – Judah, Babylon

Prayer: Our Father in heaven, You know best. Thank You for having a perfect plan and bringing it to pass in Your time. Please help us to pray, pray, pray, and trust in Your answers.

Review: Jonah and Nahum prophesied to Nineveh

Lesson Facts: Habakkuk had a conversation with God, asking questions = why and how
why does God allow Judah to go unpunished and how long. How can God allow
the wicked Babylonians to punish Judah.
God answers = He has a plan, in His time
Zephaniah – sorrow turned to singing. God will punish but also save a remnant

Principle: God is just, patient, merciful, loving
God knows best
He is a God Who answers prayers
do not be afraid
God cares for us

Application: PRAY
go to God; ask God questions; trust, wait, give thanks
obey even in hard times and when we don't understand

Activities: Habakkuk worksheet (may add conversation bubble sticker and add the words “How”
and “Why”; add question marks and prayer [praying hands] stickers)
Zephaniah worksheet (may add musical notes)

Songs: old testament books/minor prophets
#379 “God Will Take Care of You”
#505 “Trust and Obey”
#597 “Sing and Be Happy”
“I'm Happy Today”

Quarter #: 3	Lesson Title: Josiah – the last good king of Judah
Lesson #: 10 (one class only?)	Lesson Scripture: 2 Kings 22-23:30, 2 Chronicles 34-35 (focus on 2 Kings 22:1-2, 8, 10-20; 23:1-8, 15, 21-25, 28-30)

Visuals / Resources: slideshow – www.freebibleimages.org “King Josiah: The scroll of God's laws is found”
the kings' timeline
www.biblefunforkids.com (either need to click on “web version” via smartphone or use a computer; then type in “Josiah” in the search box)
kidsbibledebjackson.blogspot.com

Prayer: Dear Father, You are our Creator and give us what we need. Thank You for giving us Your word, the Bible. Please help us to treat it as a special treasure and obey what you've written.

Review: Isaiah and Jeremiah and minor prophets

Lesson Facts: King Josiah sought God at a young age and had the temple repaired
Hilkiah found a scroll – the Book of Law; Shaphan read it to Josiah who then made great reforms (destroyed idols, cleansed temple, read God's law, made a covenant, and re-instituted the passover)

Principle: God's word is a special treasure
we will be held accountable for our decisions and actions
even though you may be young, you can still make a difference for God

Application: Don't just have a Bible, USE it; ask a sibling, parent, or friend to read it to you
tell others about God and His word
trust and obey

Activities: scroll activity (can use brown butcher or poster board paper and 2 wide popsicle sticks)
students can put stickers, poem, or verse on the scroll if desired
“King Josiah” multiple choice activity page (www.biblefunforkids.com 14. Kings and 16. King Josiah)

Songs: “Grow, Grow, Grow” or “Read Your Bible and Pray Everyday”
“The B-I-B-L-E” or “A Wonderful Treasure”
#505 “Trust and Obey”

Quarter #: 3	Lesson Title: Minor Prophets (Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi)
Lesson #: 11 (one class only?)	Lesson Scripture: Haggai 1:1-5; 2:4 Zechariah 1:1-3 Malachi 3:6a, 7b, 8-11, 16; 4:1-2

Visuals / Resources: pictures of destroyed temple, nice houses, poor/sickly animals, money (robbing God), baby “Jesus” (Savior to come)
stop sign
blocks for temple; 3 clothespin figures; sickly animals

Prayer: Father in heaven, You are perfect and deserve the best. Thank you for knowing and doing what's best for us. Please help us to put You first and give You our best.

Review: Judah taken into captivity by the Babylonians

Lesson Facts: Jews built themselves nice houses but left God's “house” the temple in ruins
they were giving weak/sickly animals for sacrifices instead of their best
some were divorcing their wives
prophets reminded them and us of God's love

Principle: put God first
stop sinning
return to the Lord and He will return to you
give God the best
God never changes
God love us

Application: PRAY
read/know God's word
make time each day for God
when you sin, ask God for forgiveness and return to Him, then keep on trying
Love God

Activities: temple jigsaw puzzle
coloring sheet – prophet with broken temple

Songs: #505 “Trust and Obey”
“Jesus Loves Me”
“Grow, Grow, Grow”

Quarter #: 3	Lesson Title: Ezekiel (vision of 4 living creatures and valley of dry bones)
Lesson #: 12	Lesson Scripture: Ezekiel 1-2:7; 37:1-14

Visuals / Resources: slideshows - www.freebibleimages.org = "Ezekiel's calling and first vision" and "Ezekiel and the valley of dry bones"
www.bibleforkids.com - "Cathy's Corner: Ezekiel and the Valley of Dry Bones"
 paper skeleton/bones
 Map – Chebar River, Tel Abib, Babylon, Judah

Prayer: Dear God, You always keep your promises and give us hope. Thank you for making a way for us to be saved and live with You forever. Please help us to admit when we are wrong and ask for forgiveness.

Review: prophets' names, Judah taken captive (in 3 stages)

Lesson Facts: people of Judah were in captivity
 God gave Ezekiel visions and called him to be a prophet
 God gave them hope and promised to bring them "to life" again

Principle: sins will be punished, however, God always gives hope
 God keeps His promises
 God loves us

Application: PRAY – thank Him
 love God by obeying Him
 ask God for forgiveness

Activities: 1st vision booklet
 "God Makes Dry Bones Live" 5 panel template
 possibly give a remembrance treasure box with mini bones in it and glue a verse on top

Songs: "Ezekiel Saw a Vision" - #21 on the Each Little Dewdrop CD
 "The Valley of Dry Bones" - #22 on the Each Little Dewdrop CD
 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" - youtube – Acapella (1st verse only?)
 #505 "Trust and Obey"
 "My God is So Big"
 "Jesus Loves Me"

Quarter #: 3	Lesson Title: REVIEW
Lesson #: 13	Lesson Scripture:

Visuals / Resources: bring in a show & tell box with items such as the following:

- paper chariot of fire, cloak (Elijah)
- play grapes (Naboth's vineyard)
- 2 golden calves (Jeroboam)
- red dot stickers (Naaman)
- torn crown (divided kingdom)
- sundial (Hezekiah)
- skeleton/bones (Ezekiel)
- blocks (temple)
- scroll (Josiah)
- megaphone or paper cone (prophets prophesying)
- paper chains (captivity)
- toy fish (Jonah)
- hand (Isaiah)
- rocks (Obadiah)
- locusts or grasshoppers (Joel)
- paper fire (Amos)
- broken paper heart (Hosea)
- stop sign (Malachi)

Prayer: Gracious God, You are our Creator and Giver of Life. Thank You for Your living and powerful word. Please help us to learn from the examples of the kings and prophets in the Bible, our special treasure.

Lesson Facts: God is our ultimate King. God shows us in His word how worldly kings are not perfect or the kind of ruler we need. All of the kings of Israel were evil. A few kings of Judah were good, trying to follow God. The prophets are good examples of servants who were messengers of God and prophesied God's words to many different people and nations about the future. *** If you haven't already mentioned that there were also prophetesses (Miriam, Deborah, Hulda, Isaiah's wife, and Anna), now may be an appropriate time. There were also wicked prophets and prophetesses who did not obey God or tell the truth

Principle: God loves us
 God has given us a special treasure – His word
 God tells us how to obey Him and become His child
 we have the blessing of being able to communicate with God through prayer
 God hears and answers every prayer
 God keeps His promises
 God punishes the wicked but rewards the faithful

Application: PRAY – thank Him
listen to God's word and obey
love God and love others by obeying, helping, worshiping, telling others about God and
His Son Jesus

Activities: “Pray” and “Listen” worksheets
put together the review booklet (coloring pages)
ask children to explain a picture of ways they can please God
ask each child to choose an object from the show and tell box and explain which Bible
lesson or character it goes with (you may need to give hints or prompts)

Songs: Each Little Dewdrop CD #'s 17, 20-22, 24, 25
“It is so sad to say” (captivity)
“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” - youtube – Acapella (1st verse only?)
#505 “Trust and Obey”
“My God is So Big”
“Jesus Loves Me”