



All-Knowing - Lesson 2

2s and 3s

Memory Verse: Hebrews 1:1 “Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets...”

Key Point: God knows everything!

Bible Verse: 1 Kings 18

SCHEDULE:

Center Time

around 10 minutes

Help the individuals transition by actively engaging them from the beginning. Try setting up centers to color, play with blocks and Play-Doh, or do puzzles.

Memory Verse

Use the Memory Verse page and images to go over the memory verse by placing them in the correct order on the board (personal or pocket chart).

Coloring Sheet

Big Group Time

Lesson

- Read through the lesson below. For a shortened version, just read the bolded words.
- Within the lesson, there are numbers that correspond to the story point pictures. For example, (1) corresponds to the first story point and picture, and so on.
- Allow individuals to place pictures in sequential order on the board, table, floor, or in a pocket chart if available.
- Key Point

- Use the review questions to check for understanding.

Repeat Key Point & Memory Verse

Use the activities below for repetition of the story points, key points, and memory verse.

- Act out the Story.
- Bean Bag Toss: restate part of the story, memory verse, or key point when tossing.

Activity

Five Finger Gospel (optional)

LESSON:

Our Bible lesson today comes from 1 Kings 18. **Elijah was a prophet** during the time **when King Ahab was the king of Israel (1)**. **King Ahab** doesn't worship God. He **worships an idol called Baal** ("beyl"). An idol is something that people worship, **but** is not the true God. King Ahab has led the people into worshipping idols. **God wants people to worship him only (2)**.

God has not sent rain for a long time. **The Lord tells Elijah to go** and present himself **to King Ahab and tell him** that God will soon send rain! So Elijah tells King Ahab **that if he wants it to rain again, he needs to bring all the prophets of Baal to Mount Carmel for a contest (3)**.

King Ahab agrees, and all the prophets of Baal and the people of Israel come to Mount Carmel for the contest (4). **Elijah tells the people to** bring enough stones and wood **to build two altars—one to God and one to**

Baal. And he tells them to bring animals for the sacrifices (5). Then **Elijah** says, “Pray to your god and I’ll pray to the Lord, and the god who answers by sending fire down is the one and only God.” (6)

Then Elijah tells the prophets of Baal to build their altar and prepare their sacrifice. The people do what Elijah asks and they pray all day to Baal, but there is **NO ANSWER** (7)! They pray loudly in case Baal is sleeping or on a trip, but they get **NO ANSWER**!

Then **Elijah** takes 12 stones and builds an altar to God. He puts wood on the altar and prepares the sacrifice. And then Elijah prays to God (8), “God, show all these people that you are the TRUE GOD. Turn the hearts of these people back to you, God!” **God answers Elijah’s prayer and sends fire down on the altar** (9) to burn up the sacrifice! Everyone sees this and the people know that the God of Israel is the TRUE GOD and they worship God (10)! God is all-knowing, and he told Elijah what to do and what to say to show the people that he is the TRUE God and they should worship him only. Elijah listened to God and did what he asked. God does know everything, and we need to listen and obey what he says.

Key Point: God knows everything!

Review Questions

1. Who was the prophet we learned about today? (Elijah.)
2. What did King Ahab worship? (An idol called Baal.)
3. What happened when the people prayed to Baal? (Nothing.)
4. What happened when Elijah prayed to God? (God sent fire and burned the sacrifice.)
5. Who/what does God want us to worship? (Only him.)

ACTIVITIES:

One True God – Making An Altar

Supplies:

- Worksheet – “One True God” side (one per child)
- Mini craft sticks (three per child)
- Bag of orange, red, yellow tissue paper scraps from lesson (one per bin)
- Crayons
- Glue sticks

Have children color the rocks on the altar cardstock and then glue the craft sticks to the top of the altar. (Note: Have the children spread the glue stick onto the craft stick and press it onto the cardstock for a count of five. This will help it to stick better.) Then, remind them of how God sent fire to the altar and have the children glue red, yellow, and, orange tissue paper on top of the altar to remind them how the God of Israel is the one true God. (Tear tissue paper into smaller pieces if needed.) You will use the backside of this worksheet in the last activity.

***Have fun and let them do the crafts themselves, as much as possible. This is a hands-on way for them to learn who God is and remember what they learn. It doesn’t matter if they place the label or stickers in the wrong spot. What matters is teaching them who God is. ***

Worship God Only

Supplies

- Worksheet – “Worship God Only” side (one per child)
- Crayons

Talk to the kids about how we can make some of these things (food, TV, money, home, family, pets, toys, sports) idols. Explain that these things aren’t necessarily bad, but that we need to remember they are not more important than God and spending time with him through prayer, worship, and reading the Bible; loving and obeying him; etc. Have the children put an X over things that we sometimes put before God and remind them always to put God first!