

Fellowship Kids

Twos/Threes Lesson Plan - Sunday School

Sunday, September 14

UNIT 9 | SESSION 4

FREEDOM FROM THE PHILISTINES

1 SAMUEL 7

CHRIST CONNECTION: God sent Jesus to die on the cross and rise again so that we can be forgiven. When we know and love Jesus, God forgives our sin.

MEMORY VERSE of the Month: PHILIPPIANS 4:19 - "And my God will supply every need of yours..." (ESV)

Preparation

Lesson Context

This Unit (4 weeks): Regardless of sin patterns and disobedience, God continued to see His people and hear their requests and desires. God's provision is seen through His gifts of a kinsman redeemer for Ruth's family, a son with a prophetic calling for Hannah, and freedom and protection for the Israelites from the Philistines. God's plan remained steadfast, despite humanity's brokenness.

Volunteer Huddle | 8:45 a.m.

Meet in the Threes classroom (first floor) for prayer and important info for this Sunday.

Prep Room | 8:50 a.m.

- Pull out paper and crayons on tables (in Teacher Box)
- If you'd like, put music on the Spotify app on the Roku TV.
- Prep room for any activities you will do during the lesson.

Fellowship & Play Time | 9:00-9:15 am

One volunteer should greet children and families at the door.

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Allow children time to engage with one another and play. Use this time to get to know your students and hear about their week. What was a good part/hard part or “yay duck”/“yuck duck” of their week?

MAGNATILES & COLORING

For free time before the lesson, ask children to come to the tables and give them the option to either 1) build with Magnatiles or 2) color (paper and crayons in Activity Box). Use this time to ask them questions about their week and get to know them.

During free time, especially because children are at such a young age, please keep a diligent eye and ear on their words and play with one another.

TRANSITION: Give children a *warning* before you ask them to come to a circle

SAY “Everyone, in 5 minutes we are going to pick up our toys and gather in a circle!”

Sing the clean up song and ask children to come find a seat in the circle.

Activity | 9:15 am

REVIEW CLASSROOM RULES

Post the **Rules Poster** (in Activity Box) somewhere in the room.

DO A HEART SEARCH

Take out the **paper heart shapes** (in Activity Box), which have one word of the memory verse per heart. Hide the hearts around the room. Instruct children to find all the hearts. Once all the hearts are found, tell the memory verse to the children and then ask them to say it along with you.

SAY *God knows what is in our hearts. In our story today, the Israelites were not fully loving God, but they were ready to confess their sin. After they repented from their sin, Samuel prayed to God, and something amazing happened.*

Lesson | 9:20 am

Let children know your expectations during the lesson - that you would like them to sit quietly, keep their hands to themselves, listen to the story, etc.

1. Open the Bible & Pray

Open to **1 SAMUEL 7** in your Bible. **Reverently display the open Bible.**

SAY *Today we are going to be in the book of **1 Samuel!** Let's listen to this true story from the Bible.*

Pray quickly for your time in the Word of God.

2. Tell the Bible Story

Use the **visuals** (in Activity Box) if you'd like to help children follow along with the story.

FREEDOM FROM THE PHILISTINES

God's people felt sorry for not listening to God. They wanted God to talk to them again.

Samuel told them, "Love only God and listen to Him. Then He will help you." So, the Israelites came together. They told God they were sorry.

The Philistines heard God's people were meeting to pray, so they came to fight them. God's people were scared. Samuel prayed, and God heard him.

As the Philistines came closer, God made a big thundering sound that scared the Philistines! God helped the Israelites win the battle.

Then, Samuel set up a big rock to remind everyone how God helped them.

Christ Connection: *God forgave the Israelites' sin and saved them from their enemies. God forgives us to through Jesus and saves us from our sin!*

3. Review the Bible Story

- Were God's people sad that they had not loved and listened to God? (yes)
- What did they do when they were scared and heard the Philistines were coming? (*they prayed to God to save them*)
- Did God save them from the Philistines? (Yes! *God made a big thundering sound that scared the Philistines away!*)

4. Pray

Memory Verse | 9:35 am

Open your Bible to **PHILIPPIANS 4:19** and lead the kids to repeat the abridged verse several times, using hand motions if you'd like:

"And my God will supply every need of yours..."

- **PHILIPPIANS 4:19**

SAY: *T*God supplied what His people needed to win against the Philistines. He supplies what we need too. What we need most is forgiveness for our sins. There is no end to God's forgiveness

for His people because of Jesus' death and resurrection.

MEMORY VERSE THEATER

Invite the class to say the memory verse in lots of fun ways. Some suggestions: loud, soft, high-pitched, low/deep, eyes closed, slow, fast, holding your nose, singing, holding your tongue, etc. Get creative and come up with your own fun ways to learn the memory verse.

PLAY THE MUSIC VIDEO

Have the children repeat the verse with you several times. Then play the memory verse music video from the YouTube app on the Roku TV (*YouTube account should be Fellowship Kids (switch accounts on the top of the left sidebar if not)* > go to Library on the left side bar > Choose Playlists on the top > choose your classroom).

After the activity, invite children to sit at the tables to complete their activity pages.

Extra Activity | 9:40 am


PLAY FREEZE DANCE

Play upbeat children's worship music. Tell the children to dance around the room while the music plays. Instruct them to stop and quickly freeze in place when the music stops. Play the music and prompt children to dance. Pause the music and encourage the children to freeze. Continue play as time allows.

SAY *Thank you for listening to my instructions and following them. In today's Bible story, the Israelites felt sorry for not listening to God. They wanted God to talk to them again. Samuel told them to love only God and listen to Him. The Israelites told God they were sorry for not listening. God wants people to be sorry for their sin. Jesus came to die on the cross and rise again. When we know and love Jesus, God forgives our sin.*

Activity Pages + Transition | 9:45 am

ACTIVITY PAGES



Invite children to the tables and pass out the week's **Activity Page** (in Activity Box) and **crayons** (in Teacher Box) to each child. Have them work on it as the new Worship Service volunteer team arrives.

TRANSITION TEAMS

The worship service volunteer team will switch into the classroom at 9:50. **Please do not leave the classroom until the next service's volunteers have arrived and are ready to take responsibility for the class.** Call the Team Lead if the worship service volunteers have not arrived on time.

If needed, let them know about any pertinent information on children, the lesson, etc.

