

LESSON OVERVIEW

Big Idea: The Old Testament shows us that sin is a problem.

Key Question: What is sin?

Memory Verse: *All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Isaiah 53:6*

Overview: The Bible is the most important book ever written. We've already learned that even though it's a really big book, it tells one story. It's all about Jesus. Last week, we started at the beginning when God created everything. That includes people. He wanted relationship with us. But, it didn't take long for people to mess that up. Instead of obeying God, people wanted to do things their own way. Because of that, relationship with God was broken. The whole Old Testament is full of stories of people rebelling against God, having to pay a consequence for that rebellion, and then being sorry for going against God. Even though God was always willing to give them more chances, people kept messing up. They needed help to honor God. They thought a king could help them do that. God chose David to be king. But, you'll see that even a king telling them how to honor God wasn't good enough. Something else was needed to break the sin cycle.

CLASSROOM AGENDA

- 5 min **PLAY:** Begin working on Activity Page #1.
- 5 min **WARM UP:** Describe your room at your house. (clean and organized or messy) Is it hard to keep it clean? Why?
- 5 min **PREVIEW:** Draw the bubbles on a whiteboard and fill in the Big Idea, Memory Verse, and Key Question. If applicable, have kids fill in the bubbles on their activity page #1.
- 20 min **LARGE GROUP:** Gather for songs and videos with other kids. Then return to small group to finish this guide.
- 5 min **RECAP:** Read the Lesson Overview from the Teacher's Guide and then answer the KEY QUESTION.
- 5 min **EXPLORE:** Read [1 Samuel 17:32-37.45](#) Why do you think David was so brave? Hearing this story, why do you think God chose David to be king?
- 10 min **PLAY:** Choose a group activity from Activity Page #2.
- 5 min **CLOSE:**
 - What else did you take away from the story of David and Goliath?
 - Share prayer requests and pray as a class.

TEACHER TIPS

- 2nd-5th puzzle answers:** **Words:** Jesus, king, Bible
Phrase: Jesus is our king.
- Allow each kid to share. The point: we may have great intentions of keeping our rooms clean but things get in the way of actually making that happen. It's the same way with God. We intend to obey Him but our sin gets in the way.
- Answer:** Sin-going our own way instead of God's way. Sin is the attitude that says we don't care what God says, we want to do it our way. That attitude broke our relationship with God.
- Bonus Questions:** What are some examples of sin? Why is it so tempting to do things our own way? Why does that attitude get in the way of having relationship with God?
- David didn't rely on battle training or using certain weapons. He relied totally on God to help him beat the giant named Goliath. David was just a shepherd before he became king. It was a dangerous job. He spent every night keeping watch over his sheep making sure they didn't wander off and protecting them from being attacked by other animals. David already knew, from experience, that God would protect him from the giant because He had protected him from so many other things while a shepherd..
- Have kids share any other insight they picked up on from this story. Could be about being brave for God or trusting God to help in times of need.

Option #1

Around the World of the Old Testament

This is a great game that quizzes kids on what they learned from the lesson today. Have kids stand in a circle. Give someone the ball and have them toss it to another kid. The kid with the ball gets a chance to answer a question. If they get it right, they toss it to another kid. If they get it wrong, they have to sit down.

Questions:

1. What is the big idea today? (the OT shows us that sin is a problem)
2. What is the key question? (what is sin)
3. Who is the whole Bible about? (Jesus)
4. What's the most important book in the world? (bible)
5. What book in the Bible does our memory verse come from? (Isaiah)
6. Who did God choose to be king? (David)
7. What was the name of the giant David defeated? (Goliath)
8. What is sin? (choosing our own way instead of God's way)
9. What is the memory verse for this week? (all of us like sheep have strayed...)
10. Who is the king that can fix our sin? (Jesus)

Supplies needed

- ball

Bonus Activity:

Play the **Telephone Game**. Have kids sit in a circle. Whisper the **Big Idea** into one kid's ear. Then have them share it with their neighbor. Continue around the circle. Last one has to share the message they heard.

Option #2

King of the Hill

This is a fun game that challenges kids to answer questions to beat everyone else out for the top spot, the "king of the hill". Tape off a square on the floor using masking tape. Select one child to start as king by standing in the square. Have the rest of the kids stand in a line. The first person in line is the challenger to take the throne. Ask a question, whoever answers correctly, first, gets to be king. Whoever loses goes to the back of the line.

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- tape

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LESSON 2: HOW PEOPLE MESSED UP

KID & PARENT GUIDE

Watch the lesson video and fill in the blanks.

Find videos and other helpful resources for this lesson @ pursueGOD.org/storyline-kids.

1. The whole story of the _____ is about Jesus.
2. All the great stories in the Bible are _____.
3. Most of the old testament stories show us that _____ is problem.
4. God chose _____ to be king..
5. An _____ couldn't fix their sin.
6. _____ is the _____ that fixes our sin.

Share with one another as you answer these questions.

Check out the lesson resource tabs online for helpful articles and videos.

1. What do you know about Moses? Read [Exodus 2:1-10](#) to hear some of his story.
2. Have you heard what Joshua did in the town of Jericho? Read [Joshua 6:15-16,20](#) What do you think Joshua was thinking about God's plan?
3. Do you remember any stories about David? Share. Why do you think God chose him to be king?
4. Who's the king who can fix our sin? What did He do to fix it?

Memorize this verse today and during the week.

Don't forget to pray as a family this week!

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Isaiah 53:6

Learn the 3 basic truths of the Christian faith @ pursueGOD.org/foundations-kids



NAME: _____

ACTIVITY PAGE #1

K-1ST GRADE

BIG IDEA:

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that sin is a problem.

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Instructions: Color the picture.

