



WEEK 2

PRESCHOOL LESSON GUIDE



BIG IDEA

It's amazing! God takes care of me.

THE BIBLE

Elijah and the Prophets of Baal: 1 Kings 18

WELCOME TIME

Heroes meet in the Youth Room for worship.

ACTIVITY | Match It Up!

- We are going to match things that need something in order to work.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Seat the kids in a circle and pass out one picture card to each kid, from this week's printable. Start by asking one kid to show everyone their picture card. Then, ask the group if anyone thinks they have something on their card that needs this picture. If the kids are having a hard time, tell them all to show their cards and help them think it through. For example: Ask the kids, "What do you think goes with toothpaste? A battery? No. A car? No. A toothbrush? Yes! A toothbrush and toothpaste need each other to work. Great job!"
- God is amazing! God knows what I need.

TEACHING TIME

THE BIG IDEA | It's amazing! God knows what's best for me.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Present the Big Idea with these hand motions. Repeat the Big Idea, but when you get to the word, "I," point to each kid and say their name. Then end by saying God is amazing! God knows what's best for you and me!
- **It's amazing** [Open your hands and make a big circle with spirit fingers.]
- **God** [Raise both of your arms, making a V shape.]



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- **knows** [Point your right index finger to your head and the left hand supports the right elbow.]
- **what's best** [Thumbs up.]
- **for me** [Bring the thumbs in to point to yourself.]

VIDEO | Amazed, Episode 2

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Play this week's preschool [teaching video](#). ([Amazed Preschool Week 2 on Vimeo](#))

SCRIPTURE | 1 Kings 18:33-39

- Elijah was someone who really, really loved God. But not everyone loved God. There was a king named King Ahab and he was mean and didn't obey God.
- **Can you show me a mean face?** Yes, that was King Ahab! King Ahab and the people of Israel prayed to a great, big statue they called, Baal. Baal wasn't God. Baal wasn't real at all. It was just a big statue.
- **Do you think anything happens when you pray to a statue?** No! That's silly.
- **Do you think anything happens when we pray to God?** Yes! God hears us and God answers our prayers.
- One day, King Ahab and Elijah decided to have a contest to see whose God was the real and true God.
- They both built an altar. It kind of looks like a big fire pit made with stones and wood. They put uncooked meat on the top. Then, King Ahab's people prayed to Baal to light the fire. They prayed from morning until night. They prayed and prayed and prayed. And nothing happened. Then, it was Elijah's turn. Let's read what happens in our Bible.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Read 1 Kings 18:33-39.
- Wow! That was amazing! Elijah told them to pour water all over the wood. **Does wood catch fire when its soaking wet?** No. Water stops things from catching on fire. But Elijah prayed to God and a fire came down from the sky and burned everything up! Just as Elijah knew it would.
- God knew what Elijah needed, and God knew what the people needed to see in order to believe God was the one, true God. **Isn't that amazing?**
- God knew what was best for them, and God knows what's best for us, too!

PRAYER

- God, thank You for being amazing! Thank You for always knowing what is best for us and for loving each of us.



DISCUSSION TIME

ACTIVITY | Act It Out

- Let's act out what Elijah did that day! First, he built an altar. Remember, I said it was like a fire pit? Let's build one!
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Use cardboard blocks or whatever you have in your space to make a small pile.
- **Then, what did he do next?** Yes! He poured water on the altar. **How many times?** He poured four jugs of water on it three times! Let's pretend to do that.
- **Then, what did Elijah do?** Yes. Elijah prayed to God. Let's pray! God, You know what we need. Please help us.
- **And what did God do?** Yep! God answered Elijah's prayer. God sent so much fire, everything on the altar burned up! God knew what the people needed. They needed to see that God was real and answered prayers.
- God is amazing! God knew what the people needed in our Bible story, and God knows what you and I need, better than we do!

MEMORY VERSE | Memory Verse Sandwich

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** For this memory verse activity, the words of the memory verse are written on a printable of pieces of a sandwich. Work with the kids to stack the sandwich – and the memory verse – in order.

PLAY TIME

While you're waiting for parents to pick up their kids . . .

ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give each kid a coloring page along with crayons, markers, or colored pencils. Remind them of today's story, memory verse, and Big Idea as they color!

Encourage your preschoolers to help clean up the room while they wait for their parents.