



WEEK 3

PRESCHOOL LESSON GUIDE



BIG IDEA

It's amazing! God speaks to me.

THE BIBLE

God Speaks to Elijah in a Whisper: 1 Kings 19

WELCOME TIME

Heroes meet in the Youth Room for worship.

ACTIVITY | Do You Hear Me Now?

- It's hard to hear a whisper. Now, you are going to try to hear me whisper with a lot of noises around you.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Tell the kids to make as much noise as they can. Encourage them to play "drums" by hitting the floor with their hands, stomping their feet, or clapping their hands. Then, you will say, "God spoke to Elijah in a whisper" to the kids. Tell the kids to stop making noise and try and guess what you said.
- God is so amazing! God speaks to us. But sometimes when God is speaking, there are so many things happening that keep us from hearing what God says to us.

TEACHING TIME

THE BIG IDEA | It's amazing! God speaks to me.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Present the Big Idea with these hand motions. Repeat the Big Idea, but when you get to the word, "me," point to each kid and say their name. Then, end by saying, "God is amazing! God speaks to 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.]
- **speaks** [Cup your hands around your mouth.]
- **to me** [Point to yourself with your thumb.]



VIDEO | Amazed, Episode 3

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Play this week's preschool [teaching video](#). ([Amazed Preschool Week 3 on Vimeo](#))

SCRIPTURE | 1 Kings 19:11-13

- **Does anyone remember who Elijah is from our Bible story?**
- But some people didn't like Elijah and didn't like him telling people what God was saying. There was one person who really, really didn't like Elijah. Her name was Jezebel and she wanted to hurt Elijah. **Was that nice of Jezebel?** No! But she was the queen so she had a lot of soldiers helping her, too. **How do you think that made Elijah feel?** Yes, I would be scared, too!
- Elijah was afraid and ran. He felt like he was all alone. So, guess what God did? God took care of Elijah again! Let's see how.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Read 1 Kings 19:11-13.
- God told Elijah to go stand on a mountain and that God would pass by.
- Then, there was a strong wind! The wind was so powerful, it shattered rocks! **Was God in the wind?** No, God wasn't in the wind.
- But then a great earthquake came. **Was God in the earthquake?** No, God was not in the earthquake either.
- And then, there was a fire. **Was God in the fire?** No, God wasn't in the fire either.
- **So, where was God?** Yes! God came in a gentle whisper. God told Elijah he wasn't alone. There were 7,000 people out there who still believed in God, like Elijah did.
- Once again, God knew what Elijah needed and God provided it. This time, what Elijah really needed was to hear what God had to say. God is amazing! God spoke to Elijah and God speaks to you and me!

ACTIVITY | Telephone

- It's sometimes really hard to hear a whisper.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Ask for three volunteers. Whisper in one of the volunteer's ears, "God speaks to me." Tell them to whisper in their friend's ear what they think they heard you say. Then, tell that friend to whisper in their friend's ear what they heard. Ask the last person what they think they heard. Even if they get it wrong, let them know they did a good job. Do this as many times as time permits. For more of a challenge, add more or all of the kids to pass along the phrase.

PRAYER

- God, thank You so much for being so amazing! Thank You for speaking to me. Help me to hear You when You are speaking.



DISCUSSION TIME

ACTIVITY | Wind, Earthquake, Fire

- We are going to pretend we are Elijah! When he was standing on the mountain waiting to hear God's voice, what came first? It was an earthquake. **Pretend like the earth is shaking! Can you keep your balance? What should we do when there's an earthquake?**
- **Does anyone remember what came next?** Yes, it was the wind! Pretend like the wind is blowing you around our room. It's the strongest wind you've ever felt!
- **Then, what came next?** Yes, it was a fire! Pretend there is a fire. **What should we do when there's a fire?**
- **Was God in any of those?**
- **Where was God?** That's right. [Whisper.] God was in the gentle whisper. **Can you whisper, too?**
- God is amazing! God spoke to Elijah and God speaks to you and me!

MEMORY VERSE | Whisper It

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Encourage the kids to whisper the Bible verse with you.*

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.