



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9
Prophets & Promises Part 2: Elijah - Malachi
Unit 8, Lesson 38

The Prophet Isaiah

Lesson Aim: To know we all need the Savior whom God gave us in Jesus.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What sounds do you think we will hear in heaven?

GAME: Sheep Gone Astray

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO IS FAITHFUL

Read Worship Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-3.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform The Love Sub script or read storybook.

THE WORD THE SAVIOR WILL LIGHT THE WAY

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God sent Amos with a message to the Israelites.

Last time, we learned the prophet Amos warned the people to “prepare to meet your God.” Today, we will learn about the prophet Isaiah who lived near Jerusalem. Point to Jerusalem, Israel. God gave Isaiah visions and messages of hope about the coming Savior. Point to Isaiah (Circa 710 B.C.). We find them in the Bible in the book of Isaiah. It was written in two parts over a period of many years.

God gave Isaiah a vision of six-winged seraphs worshiping a holy God around His throne. He also gave Isaiah messages that were easy for people to understand and remember. By using examples of sheep and shepherds, darkness and light, and even familiar wildlife, God’s warnings, choices, and promises are easy for us to remember today, too. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Isaiah 53:6; 45:22-23; 9:2, 6-7; 40:31. Find and Highlight Key Verse First: Isaiah 9:2. Pray.

THE WAY THE SAVIOR LIGHTS OUR WAY

What was the WARNING from Isaiah? (We have strayed like sheep.) What are some of the ways we wander from the Lord? Sometimes we wander when we are tempted, discouraged, or disappointed. Have you ever wandered away from God for any of these reasons?

What are the ways a good shepherd cares for his sheep? (He feeds his sheep, rescues them from danger, helps them stay together, finds them

when they wander away, gives them a place to rest, calms their fears.)

When has Jesus cared for you in any of those ways?

What was the CHOICE? (Turn to the Lord.) If you have wandered from doing things God’s way lately, imagine Jesus is your shepherd. He is calling you to turn and follow Him. It can be very difficult to make a change and turn to God. Encourage the children to discuss and share ways they have strayed and then turned to God.

God wants us to turn to Him in our thoughts, words, and actions. To bow on our knees is a sign of humble heartfelt prayer and worship. How might a habit of praying to God help us turn to Him and not wander away? How does this passage connect to our Bible Memory Verse which was written by Paul over 700 years later? (Both promise every knee will bow and every tongue will confess He is the Lord.)

What was the PROMISE? (God will send His Son as the Savior and King.)

CHRIST CONNECTION:

How does the “great light” Isaiah spoke about point to Jesus?

Listen to what Jesus said about that great light for the people.

Reveal John 8:12. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

Isaiah uses the word “darkness” to mean life without God. Who is the Light of the World? (Jesus.) How is Jesus like a light to you? It takes strength to keep our hope that God will keep every promise. What is the promise Isaiah gives those who put their hope in the Lord? (He will renew their strength.) Let’s take seven seconds of silence to picture Jesus shining a light to lead you down godly right paths and to help you make godly choices. Picture your life now and as you grow older as an exciting journey walking in this light. Pray.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord’s Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Sheep wool
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Wandering sheep, light in the darkness, or the six-winged seraphs worshiping at God’s throne
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Energy Snack

GAME: Stick the Sheep to the Shepherd

CRAFT: “Jesus Is Coming” Kaleidoscope

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Passing the Light, Kneel & Say

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW