



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua
Unit 8, Lesson 40

The Burning Bush

Lesson Aim: To know God speaks to us.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "I will listen."

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the God who speaks to us. God speaks to us through His Bible, through His world, and through His people. God loves it when we listen to Him. That reminds me of today's Whisper Verse, "I will listen." Let's say it together. Review the Whisper Verse: "I will listen." Include sign language. As we give our offering today, let's think about the different ways God speaks to us. Play: "This Is My Father's World" while the offering is being collected.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

In today's story, Moses listened when God spoke to him from a burning bush. God wants us to listen to Him just as Moses did. Sing: "I Will Listen."

Moses heard God's voice sending him to speak to Pharaoh. God wants us to go wherever He sends us. Sing: "Here Am I."

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

God speaks to us though His Bible, His world, and His people. This song reminds us how, through the Bible, God tells us He loves us. Sing: "Jesus Loves Me."

THE WORD MOSES HEARS GOD'S VOICE CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned Joseph forgave his brothers. Today, we will begin to learn about Moses. As a baby, his mother put him in a basket by the river. An Egyptian princess found him and took him

back to the palace to live. The king of Egypt, called the Pharaoh, was mean to God's people. When Moses grew up, he ran away from the Pharaoh. Let's open our Bible to the first book, Genesis. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Exodus 3:4.

WATCH THE WORD: EXODUS 3:1-12

Read poem. Display visual.

- Moses was watching the sheep one day,
- When he saw a burning bush that did not burn away.
- When Moses went in for a closer look,
- He heard God call his name from the bush.

- Moses answered, "Here I am."
- God said, "Shoes off! On holy ground you stand.
- I have heard my people in Egypt cry out,
- I have chosen you, Moses, to lead them out."

- Moses asked, "Who am I to say,
- Pharaoh, let my people go today?"
- But Moses listened and followed God's plan,
- To lead God's people to the promised land.

From where did Moses hear God's voice? (The burning bush.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Exodus 3:4 from the teacher's Bible. When Moses came over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" Moses said, "Here I am."

Moses listened to God speak from the burning bush. God speaks to us though His Bible, His world, and His people. What will you do when God speaks to you in these ways? The answer is in our Whisper Verse! Let's say our Whisper Verse together: "I will listen." Include sign language or hand motions.

THE WAY GOD SPEAKS TO MOSES FROM A BURNING BUSH

CRAFT: The Burning Bush

GAMES: Moses! Moses!, Musical Chairs

SNACK: Crunching Noises

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Exodus 3:1-12

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY: Scripture Hopscotch
STORY TIME