



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua
Unit 8, Lesson 41

Pharaoh Would Not Listen

Lesson Aim: To see how important it is to listen to God's warnings.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Be quick to 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 nature, through Bible stories, and through people who love Him. God loves it when we listen to what He says. That reminds me of today's Whisper Verse, "Be quick to listen." Let's say it together. Review the Whisper Verse. Include sign language. As we give our offering, let's thank God for speaking to us through His world. Play: "This Is My Father's World" as background music while the offering is being collected.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

God speaks to us through people who love Him. In today's story, God spoke through Moses to tell Pharaoh to let God's people go, but Pharaoh would not listen. Let's sing a promise to God that we will listen to what He says. Unit 8 Bible Memory Verse Song: "I Will Listen."

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

When we know God wants us to do something, should we do it? (Yes.) Let's march as we sing these songs to show God we will be quick to listen and do what He tells us to do. Sing: "Here Am I" and "I Can Do Everything."

THE WORD PHARAOH WOULD NOT LISTEN CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned how God spoke to Moses through a bush and Moses listened. Who remembers what was special about this bush? (It was on fire but never burned up.) Today, we will learn about someone who would not listen to the Lord as Moses did. It was the king of Egypt, the Pharaoh. Let's open our Bible to Exodus chapter 8 to learn more about Pharaoh. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Exodus 8:20b.

WATCH THE WORD: EXODUS 8:20-32

Read poem. Display visual.

- The Lord, Himself, spoke to Moses one day.
- He said, "Tomorrow, go to Pharaoh and say,
- 'Let my people go, so they can worship me.
- If you do not, many flies you will see.'"
- Pharaoh would not listen to God's warning,
- So flies filled the land by the next morning.
- Pharaoh said to Moses, "Go and pray for me."
- So Moses prayed, and the flies did leave.
- But Pharaoh's heart was stubborn, you know.
- He would not let God's people go!

What did God tell Moses to say to Pharaoh? ("Let my people go.") Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Exodus 8:20b.

Was Moses quick to listen to God? (Yes. He followed God's directions and went to Pharaoh.) Let's say our Whisper Verse together: "Be quick to listen." Include sign language or hand motions.

THE WAY BE QUICK TO LISTEN

CRAFT: Pharaoh and the Flies

GAMES: Let My People Go!, Moses Says!

SNACK: Buzzing Bugs

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Exodus 8:20-32

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY: Scripture Hopscotch
STORY TIME