

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7 Prophets & Promises: Advent of the Promised One Unit 10, Lesson 48

Advent 1: Isaiah and the Prince of Peace

Lesson Aim: To understand Jesus is the Prince of Peace.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is the best promise you have ever been given?

GAME: Pin the Words on the Crown

THE WORSHIP THE GOD OF PEACE

Advent Candle Lighting Ceremony: The Candle of Light

Read Worship Scripture: John 12:46.

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

Perform The Love Sub script or read storybook.

THE WORD ISAIAH'S PROPHECY: THE PRINCE OF PEACE

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

Review: God told Malachi to tell people to bring their tithes into God's house.

God also gave Malachi a prophecy about the coming of the Lord (a promise from Him about the future). After Malachi, there were 400 years without any prophecies known as the 400 years of silence. During this period, many people were watching and waiting for the coming of the Lord that Isaiah described in his prophecies. Point to Isaiah (Circa 710 B.C.). Isaiah lived in Jerusalem. Point to Jerusalem, Israel. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7. Pray. Read.

THE WAY CONNECTING PROPHECIES TO JESUS

The Old Testament is filled with prophecies that would be fulfilled by Jesus. A prophecy is fulfilled when it comes true (actually happens). Isaiah 9:2 says, "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light." In the Bible, darkness stands for life separated from God. Jesus is like a light to people who are separated from God. Jesus called Himself the Light of the World. Do you think Jesus is the light in Isaiah's prophecy? (Yes.) In a way, Isaiah's prophecy comes true every time someone who is separated from God sees Jesus is the way to be close forever with the Father.

Isaiah said, "For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given." Who do you think Isaiah is describing when he tells us about a child born as a son that would one day be given to the world? (Jesus.) 700 years later, in Luke 2:11, an angel announces, "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you." Do you think the angel's words showed Isaiah's ancient prophecy was coming true? (Yes.)

John 3:16 says, "God loved the world so much that He gave His one and only Son." How do these words remind you of Isaiah's prophecy, "unto us a Son is given"?

What are the four names given to the royal son in Isaiah's prophecy? (Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.) Have children raise their hand to vote for their favorite name.

What do you think "Prince of Peace" means? Romans 5:1b says, "... we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Which prophecy from Isaiah 9:6-7 does this fulfill? ("He will be called Prince of Peace.") Everyone needs to have peace with God, because our wrongdoings are sins against God. Jesus took the punishment for our sins, so we could be at peace and close with God.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

700 years after Isaiah's prophecy, Jesus came and made peace between God and us by taking our punishment on the cross for our sins against God. To all who believe in Him, Jesus gives peace with God, peace with others, and peace of mind without fear during hard times. Reveal John 14:27. Read. How can knowing this give you a peaceful mind without fear during hard times? How does Jesus help us live in peace with others? (His Spirit helps us serve and forgive others. He helps us show love, kindness, patience, and self-control.)

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

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Advent calendar
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: What you think God looks like
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Crown Jewels **GAME:** Peaceful Hearts

CRAFT: Prince of Peace Crown

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Appearing Angel, Toss-A-Verse

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW