

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7 Prophets & Promises: Advent of the Promised One Unit 10, Lesson 49

Advent 2: God's Promise to Mary

Lesson Aim: To know we can trust God to keep His promises because nothing is impossible with God.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is one thing that is impossible for you to do?

GAME: Promise Messengers

THE WORSHIP THE GOD OF PEACE

Advent Candle Lighting Ceremony: The Promise Candle

Read Worship Scripture: Luke 1:31-33.

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

Perform The Love Sub script or read storybook.

THE WORD GABRIEL VISITS MARY

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

Review: God gave Isaiah the prophecy about the coming Prince of Peace.

Today, we will learn how God sent an angel to Nazareth with a message for Mary about how the Savior would be born. Point to Nazareth. During the 400 years before the birth of Jesus, God sent no more prophecies to His people. It was a time of waiting. Then, at just the right time, God sent the angel Gabriel to a teenager named Mary with a prophecy about the coming of the Lord. Let's find out exactly what Gabriel said. Point to the Birth of Jesus (Circa 1 A.D.). Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Luke 1:26-33, 37-38. Pray. Read.

THE WAY NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD

Gabriel told Mary not to be afraid because He loved her and was with her. If the angel Gabriel appeared to you, how would you feel? How are Gabriel's words true for you? God loves you and His Holy Spirit is with you now.

God promised to send a Savior who would change the world. He chose young Mary to help make that promise come true. God will continue to change the world and build His kingdom through the

power of the Holy Spirit working in any of us who are willing. He uses His people to change the world in many ways. What are some ways God can change the world and build His kingdom through you right now? (Through sharing His love, serving others, telling others about Jesus, making choices that are right in His eyes, etc.)

Sometimes, it is hard to believe God will use us in mighty ways. What were Gabriel's last words to Mary? ("Nothing is impossible with God.") When has God done something in your life that you thought was impossible?

Did God keep His promise to Mary? Do you believe God keeps all His promises? Mary asked how God's promise would happen, because it seemed impossible. We can trust Him to keep His promises, even when it seems impossible. Just like Mary, sometimes we may have questions about God's plan. If the angel Gabriel suddenly appeared, what would you ask him about God's plan for you?

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Over 600 years before young Mary heard God's plans for her life, a young man heard God's plans for his life. His name was Jeremiah. Let's see what God told him. Reveal Jeremiah 1:4-8. Read.

Before Jeremiah was born, God had already chosen him to be a prophet. Before Mary was born, God had already chosen her to be the mother of Jesus. Before you were born, God had already chosen amazing plans for you. Let's pray that each of us will be willing to trust God's promised plan, just like Mary. Lead children in prayer.

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

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Angel magnet
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Angel Gabriel telling Mary nothing is impossible with God
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Angel Cake GAME: Miracle Color Quiz

CRAFT: Nothing Is Impossible Wreath

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

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