



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Prophets & Promises Part 2: Elijah - Malachi
Unit 7, Lesson 35

God Speaks to Elijah

Lesson Aim: To learn some of the ways
God speaks to us.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

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

THE WORSHIP THE GOD OF POWER

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the God of Power. God is so powerful that He can speak to us in many ways. He can even speak to us without using His out loud voice! When a mighty wind blows, it's as if He is telling us He is the powerful God who made the wind. When someone gives us a big hug, it's as if God is telling us how much He loves us. When we hear God's Word in a Bible story, it's as if He is telling us who He is and what He has done. Let's give our offering to the God who speaks to us in many ways. Sing: "I Will Listen" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

That song reminds me of today's Whisper Verse: "I will listen." Let's try it together. Review. Include the sign language.

Sometimes, God speaks to us without making a sound. He may speak to us by showing more about Himself or by showing us what He wants us to do. Sometimes, it is easier to think about what God is telling us if we are still. Let's be very still as we sing this next song. Think about how good it is to know He is God and that He is with us right now. Sing: "Be Still and Know."

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

God chose Elijah to be His special helper. Later in a whisper, God told Elijah to go find Elisha. Elijah listened and obeyed the Lord and he found Elisha. He would be God's next special helper. Elijah and Elisha both listened and obeyed God. Sing: "Blessed Are Those."

God hears us, sees us, and knows what we are thinking and feeling. He is always with us. Sing: "I Am with You."

THE WORD ELIJAH LISTENS FOR THE VOICE OF THE LORD CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned God sent fire to show He is God. Today, we will hear how God whispered to Elijah. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to 1 Kings 19:12-13.

WATCH THE WORD: 1 KINGS 19:11-13, 16

Read poem. Display visual.

- "Stand on the mountain, Elijah," God said,
- "For right by you, I will go."
- Then, a mighty wind blew all around.
- Was the Lord in the wind? No!
- An earthquake shook the ground to and fro.
- Was the Lord in the earthquake? No!
- After the earthquake, came a fire.
- Was the Lord in the fire? No!
- Then, from a cave came a whisper
- That told Elijah what to do.
- The Lord whispered, "Go find Elisha.
- He will be My helper, just like you."

What did Elijah hear? (God's whisper.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read 1 Kings 19:12-13 from the teacher's Bible. Remember, "Lord" is one of God's special names. God whispered to Elijah!

When God speaks, what should you do? (Listen.) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "I will listen." Include the sign language or hand motions.

THE WAY WE CAN LISTEN FOR THE LORD

CRAFT: Elijah's Ears

GAMES: Listening Ears; Wind, Quake, Fire

SNACK: Shh! Listen!

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: 1 Kings 19:11-13, 16

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Stop and Be Still!, Whispered Words
STORY TIME