

At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3 Prophets & Promises Part 2: Elijah–Malachi Unit 8, Lesson 40

# Jonah Part Three: Jonah Obeys God

Lesson Aim: To know obeying God involves action.

## **THE WELCOME**

TREASURE CHEST

#### **CENTERS**

COLORING CENTER: Jonah Obeys God
PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: Obey, Right Away
BLOCK CENTER: Road Through Ninevah
ACTIVITY CENTER: Get Up and Go

### THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO IS FAITHFUL

Today, we will hear more about Jonah and how he obeyed when God gave him a second chance. Sometimes we do wrong things, but God will forgive us if we are sorry. Let's thank Him for being faithful. Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear God, we are sorry when we make wrong choices. Thank You for loving us so much and for giving us second chances. Amen.

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

**OFFERING:** Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: The Adventures of Delbert & Lello puppet

script or storybook

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE:** Practice Bible Memory Verse with the motions. "The Lord is faithful to all His promises." Psalm 145:13b

# THE WORD JONAH OBEYED RIGHT AWAY CLASSROOM PROMISE

Hello, boys and girls! Let's play a game. Watch me and follow every move I make. Make a variety of simple motions for the children to follow, such as clapping, touching your nose, patting a friend on the back, patting your head, rubbing your stomach, etc.

Great job! You obeyed my instructions very well. Sometimes, obeying is easy. Other times, it means doing something we don't

want to do. Your Mom or Dad may ask you to make your bed when you would rather be playing. Or, a teacher may tell you to take turns with a special toy when you would rather play with it by yourself. Even when we don't want to, it is important that we obey right away. Jonah found that out the hard way but when he obeyed God, good things happened. Let's listen to our story. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Jonah 3:2.

WATCH THE WORD: JONAH 3:1-10

Read poem. Display visual.

- God said, "Go to Nineveh."
- > Jonah disobeyed.
- Jonah prayed inside the fish;
- > The fish spit him out right away.
- "Now get up and go to Nineveh,"
- God said and Jonah obeyed.
- > God said, "Warn the people there
- > That they must change their ways."
- The people there believed God,
- So, they were very sad.
- > They stopped doing evil.
- > God saw this and He was glad!

What did God tell Jonah to do? (Go to Nineveh and give them God's message.) Did he obey the first time? (No.) What should Jonah do? (Get up and go to Ninevah.)

### THE WAY OBEY, RIGHT AWAY

**CRAFT:** Jonah in Ninevah

GAMES: Race to Ninevah, "Obey, Right Away"

**SNACK:** Quick Like a Fish Snack

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES**

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

### **GOT TIME?**

SAY & DO: Jonah 3:1-10

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: World Toss, Memory Verse

Echo

STORY TIME