



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Prophets & Promises Part 2: Elijah - Malachi
Unit 8, Lesson 41

God Chooses Jeremiah

Lesson Aim: To know God will give us the words we need to tell others about Him.

THE WELCOME

TREASURE CHEST

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

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO IS FAITHFUL

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the God who is faithful. He keeps all His promises. Today, we will hear how God promised to be with Jeremiah and give him the words He wanted him to speak to the people. To speak God's words is to say what God wants us to say about Him. We find God's words in the Bible. When God gives me words to speak about Him, I will speak. Will you? (Yes.) That reminds me of today's Whisper Verse. Let's try it together. Review Whisper Verse together: "I will speak." Include sign language.

When Jeremiah was just a child, God chose him to speak God's words. If you heard the voice of the Lord today saying, "I have chosen you to speak my words to others," what would you say? (Children respond.) Sing: "Here Am I" and "I Can Do Everything."

Some of the money from our offering goes to help people speak God's words to others. Let's give our offering now. Play: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" or "Blessed Are Those" as background music while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

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

At first, Jeremiah was afraid because he was a child and didn't know what to say. God promised He would be with Jeremiah and would give him the words to say. God kept His promises to Jeremiah. He keeps those same promises to us. He gives us the words to say through His words in the Bible. He is with us wherever we go. Sing: "I Am with You" and the Unit 8 Bible Memory Verse Song, "The Lord Is Faithful."

THE WORD GOD GAVE JEREMIAH HIS WORDS CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned Jonah obeyed God when he spoke His words to the people of Nineveh. Today, we will hear how God chose a boy named Jeremiah to speak His words. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Jeremiah 1:9.

WATCH THE WORD: JEREMIAH 1:4-9

Read poem. Display visual.

- Jeremiah heard the Lord's voice say,
- "I knew you before you were born!
- That is when I chose you
- To speak words from the Lord."
- Jeremiah said, "I am just a child;
- I don't know what to say!"
- The Lord said, "Do not be afraid,
- I'll be with you every day."
- "You must say what I tell you to say
- And go where I send you now."
- He touched Jeremiah's lips and said,
- "I've put my words in your mouth!"

What did the Lord touch? (Jeremiah's mouth.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Jeremiah 1:9 from the teacher's Bible. Remember that "Lord" is one of God's special names.

God gave Jeremiah the words to say. He will help you know what to say, too. Will you speak His words? (Yes.) Our Whisper Verse tells us. Let's say it together: "I will speak." Include sign language.

THE WAY OBEY, RIGHT AWAY

CRAFT: Jeremiah's Megaphone

GAMES: I Choose You!, I Will Speak

SNACK: Speaking Snack

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Jeremiah 1:4-9

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: World Toss, Prophet Puppets
STORY TIME