



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Prophets & Promises Part 2: Elijah - Malachi
Unit 8, Lesson 42

Jeremiah in the Well

Lesson Aim: To know it is important
to obey the Lord.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Obey the Lord."

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. What does faithful mean? (Keeping one's promises). Today, we will hear how God sent Jeremiah with a message for the people and the king. He obeyed. God wants us to obey as Jeremiah did. That reminds me of today's Whisper Verse. Review: "Obey the Lord." Include sign language. "Lord" is a special name for God.

One way we can obey the Lord is to give our offering. Let's do that now and sing about the blessings that come when we obey Him. Sing "Blessed Are Those" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

God wants us to obey Him. Obeying the people He has chosen to care for you is another way you can obey the Lord. We can also obey the Lord by following the laws He makes for us in the Bible. When we obey the Lord in these ways, we will be free to be even closer with Him. Sing: "I Will Always Obey Your Law."

In our story, Jeremiah is thrown into a deep well, but the Lord saves him by sending a friend and thirty men to pull him out. We are reminded that God is mighty to save. Sing: "He Is Mighty to Save."

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

When Jeremiah was a boy, the Lord promised to protect him and tell him exactly what to tell others about the Lord. When the Lord saved him from the well and told him what to tell the king, Jeremiah saw the Lord was faithful to all His promises. Let's sing our Bible Memory Verse song about that one last time. Sing the Unit 8 Bible Memory Verse "The Lord Is Faithful."

THE WORD GOD SAVES JEREMIAH CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned God chose Jeremiah to speak His words. Today, we will hear how God sent people to save Jeremiah when he was in a well. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Jeremiah 38:13.

WATCH THE WORD: JEREMIAH 38:5-14, 17, 20

Read poem. Display visual.

- The Lord sent Jeremiah
- With words from the Lord to say.
- Some didn't want to listen,
- But Jeremiah obeyed.
- They threw him in a deep, dark well;
- He sank down in the mud.
- The king sent a friend and thirty men
- With ropes to pull him up.
- "Jeremiah," said the king,
- "What did the Lord tell you to say?"
- He gave the king this message,
- "Obey the Lord and you will be safe."

What did the men use to pull him out of the well? (Ropes.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Jeremiah 38:13 from the teacher's Bible.

What did Jeremiah do when the Lord sent Him to give His message? (He obeyed the Lord.) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "Obey the Lord." Include the sign language or hand motions.

THE WAY GOD HELPS US OBEY HIM

CRAFT: Jeremiah's Well

GAMES: Save Jeremiah, Let's Pretend

SNACK: Mud in the Well Snack

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Jeremiah 38:5-14, 17, 20

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