

At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5 Prophets & Promises Part 2: Elijah - Malachi Unit 9, Lesson 43

### **Ezekiel and the Sheep**

Lesson Aim: To know God will care for us like a shepherd cares for his sheep.

# THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "The Lord is my shepherd."

### THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO IS LORD OF ALL

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the God who is Lord of all. That means He is the one in control of everything in heaven and on the earth. Everything belongs to the Lord. Everything that breathes can praise Him. Let's take in a big breath and blow it back out. Lead children in a deep inhale and exhale. That reminds me of our new Bible Memory Verse Song. Let's learn it together. Sing: "Let Everything That Has Breath."

It is fun to praise the Lord together. He cares for us just as a good shepherd cares for his sheep. The Lord is our shepherd. That sounds like today's Whisper Verse. Let's try it together. Review Whisper Verse together: "The Lord is my shepherd." Include sign language.

The Lord takes care of us and He wants us to take care of each other. When we give our offering to the church, the money we give helps take care of the needs of others. Let's thank Jesus for the way He cares for us as we give our money offering. Sing: "Be Still and Know" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: The Adventures of Delbert & Lello puppet

script or storybook

The Lord is with us wherever we go. He saves us as a shepherd saves his lost sheep. Just like a good shepherd watches over his sheep, the Lord watches over us. Sing: "He Is Mighty to Save" and "I Am with You."

## THE WORD EZEKIEL TELLS US WE ARE LIKE THE LORD'S SHEEP CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned God saved Jeremiah from the well. Today, we will hear how the Lord God is our shepherd. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Ezekiel 34:11.

WATCH THE WORD: EZEKIEL 34:6, 11-15, 31

Read poem. Display visual.

- > The Lord told Ezekiel,
- > "The people are My sheep.
- > I am like their shepherd;
- > I lay them down to sleep.
- > "When they are lost, I'll search for them.
- > They will not be afraid.
- > I'll lead them to green pastures.
- I, Myself will keep them safe."

Who will search for His sheep? (The Lord.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Ezekiel 34:11 from the teacher's Bible.

Who is your shepherd? (The Lord.) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "The Lord is my shepherd." Include the sign language or hand motions.

### THE WAY THE LORD IS OUR SHEPHERD

**CRAFT:** The Lord's Sheep

GAMES: Gather the Sheep, The Lord's Sheep

SNACK: Sheep Snack CIRCLE OF PRAYER FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

### **GOT TIME?**

**SAY & DO:** Ezekiel 34:6, 11-15, 31

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Praise Balloon Bop, Instrument

Praise

**STORY TIME**