

Lesson: Ravens Give Elijah Good Food God Takes Care of Us

Introduction

Scripture: I Kings 17:1-6

Key Verse: Phillippians 4:19 “My God will supply all your needs according to His riches and glory.”

Music Time

During this time, you will need access to a tape or CD player. Choose a couple of children’s praise and worship songs ahead of time and listen to them to make sure they will be age appropriate for your KidSlot group. During the group time, have the children participate with you while you all sing a couple of songs. Any songs with hand motions would be extra fun! Some suggested CD’s are: “Shout to the Lord Kids 1, 2 and 3,” Steve Green “Hide’em in your Heart”.

Bible Lesson

Lesson Goal: The children will know that when we follow God, He will provide the things that we need.

Hook: Have some of the children tell about a time they needed something and a friend gave to them. Also, tell about a time that a friend needed something and they were able to give to them. How did it make you feel? How did your friend feel?

Scripture to read: I Kings 17:1-6

You may want to have some of the older children help with the reading. It may also be helpful to read this passage from the New Living Translation. Be sure to let the children see you reading the Bible story from the Bible. It is important that they know that what you are teaching is from God’s Word. Help the children follow along in their Bible as the passage is read.

Key Principles: After reading the scripture passage, discuss and emphasize these key principles from I Kings 17 with the children.

1. We must obey God just like Elijah (I Kings 17:5)
2. When we follow God, He will provide the things we need.
3. God always takes care of His children.

Application:

The following questions are appropriate for older children.

1. What did Elijah tell King Ahab? (no dew or rain unless Elijah said there would be)
2. Where did God tell Elijah to go and camp? (Kerith Brook)
3. Where did Elijah’s food come from? (water from the brook, food from the ravens)
4. How did God take care of Elijah and show His faithfulness to him?

The following questions are appropriate for younger children.

1. Who helped Elijah? (God)
2. God provided Elijah _____ from the brook and _____ from the ravens.
(water, food)

Activity

God's Provision Collage

Have the children look through magazines and cut out pictures of things that God provides for us. Glue the pictures to a piece of poster board. Let this be a group project so the children can work together. You may want to group or categorize the pictures on the poster board.

Wrap-Up

Review the key principles and the key verse with the children

Prayer Time: Pray with the children. Remember to thank God for His provision and faithfulness to us.

Toddler Time: The activity is appropriate for toddlers if an adult cuts out items for the activity ahead of time and all the child has to do is glue.