

**Three Year Old Class**

Old Testament

Summer 2

Segment: 7 Prophets Performing God's Miracles

**Lesson #:** 1**Lesson Title:** **The Great Fish: Jonah Runs from God**

Scripture: Jonah 1-2

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives)****The children will learn:**

1. God had an important job for Jonah, but Jonah was scared
2. Jonah tried to hide from God, but God kept him safe
3. Jonah obeyed God and told the people of Nineveh to stop sinning
4. The people believed Jonah and God saved them

**Application from Lesson:**

God will take care of us if we TRUST and OBEY Him

**Materials Needed:**

Felt board and story pieces

Jonah and the Big Fish booklet pages

Crayons or Watercolors, cup of water and q-tips

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Tell the story of Jonah and the big fish while using the felt board, stressing that Jonah was scared and didn't want to obey God, but finally trusted in God
7. Let children color book pages while discussing the story again

**Explanation of Craft:**

Before the class, photocopy the booklet pages. After telling the story, let each child color the book pages and then staple the pages together.

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**Lesson #:** 2**Lesson Title:** **The Priest: Jehoiada Teaches King Joash**

Scripture: 2 Kings 11:1 – 12:16

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives)****The children will learn:**

1. Joash's uncle Jehoiada taught him about God's laws
2. Joash became king at 7 years old
3. Joash ordered that money be collected to repair the Temple of God
4. People donated money and the Temple was repaired

**Application from Lesson:****When we obey God and follow his commands, we can be a good influence on others.****Materials Needed:**

Plastic "gold" coins

A box for collecting the coins

Crumpled newspaper and other "trash" for the children to clean up

Cardboard bricks

Plastic hammers and/or saws

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read the children the story of Jehoiada and Joash
7. Spread the "trash" around the classroom
8. Give each child a few coins and let them take turns dropping the coins in the collection box
9. Let the children clean up the trash and use their hammers (on bricks or the floor or table) to repair the temple
10. Sing "I Want to Be a Worker for the Lord"
11. If there's time, the children can do a coloring page

**Explanation of Craft:**

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**Lesson #:** 3**Lesson Title:** The Rescue: Hezekiah Trusts the Lord

Scripture: 2 Kings 18-19

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives)****The children will learn:**

1. Hezekiah was a good king and he repaired the temple in Jerusalem
2. Then Hezekiah invited everyone to the Passover feast
3. When the bad King of Assyria threatened Hezekiah
4. Hezekiah trusted and prayed to God and He protected the people

**Application from Lesson:**

We should trust in the Lord and ask him to help us

**Materials Needed:**

Papers for "trash"

Plastic hammers and/or saws

Fake food

Small paper cups of water for each child

Connect-the-dots praying hands worksheet

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Tell the story of Hezekiah and act out each part:
  - a. Let the children pretend to clean and repair the temple
  - b. Have a pretend feast with the plastic food
  - c. Read letter from the mean king
  - d. Pray to God to ask for help
  - e. Let each child have a sip of water brought from the tunnel
  - f. Thank God for taking care of us
7. Sing "God Is So Good"
8. Help children do complete-the-dots praying hands worksheet

**Explanation of Craft:**

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**Lesson #:** 4

**Lesson Title:** **The Book: Josiah Finds the Bible**

Scripture: 2 Kings 22:1-23:3

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

#### (Goals and Objectives)

##### The children will learn:

1. King Josiah wanted to repair the temple
2. A book of God's Laws was found and shown to Josiah
3. Josiah read the book to the people and they all promised to obey God
4. Josiah destroyed all of the idols and ordered that they celebrate Passover
5. Josiah loved God and obeyed his laws

#### Application from Lesson:

God wants us to follow his commands

#### Materials Needed:

Picture story page with clip art  
Josiah Finds the Bible book coloring pages (use to tell the story)  
Paper made into scrolls and tied with string for the children to find

#### Order of Activities and Songs:

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read story – Josiah Finds the Bible (Use coloring pages to tell the story)
7. Let the children act out the temple repairs and let them find scrolls hidden around the room
8. Read picture story page and let children take them home
9. Sing "The B-I-B-L-E"
10. Sing the song below to the tune of "BINGO":

There was a treasure that they found inside the temple church  
B-I-B-L-E, B-I-B-L-E, B-I-B-L-E, they found God's Bible

They showed the scroll to the kind king and read it to the people  
B-I-B-L-E, B-I-B-L-E, B-I-B-L-E, the people heard the Bible

They promised they would walk with God and obey His commandments  
B-I-B-L-E, B-I-B-L-E, B-I-B-L-E, they loved to read the Bible

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**Lesson #:** 5**Lesson Title:** **The Sad Day: Nebuchadnezzar Burns Jerusalem**

Scripture: 2 Kings 23:31-25:21

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives)****The children will learn:**

1. God's people stopped worshipping him and began worshipping idols
2. The Babylonians destroyed the Jerusalem and made God's people slaves
3. The King of Judah had forgotten all that God had done for them, so God did not help them

**Application from Lesson:**

We should love God and remember all that He has done for us

**Materials Needed:**

"Northern and Southern Kingdoms" books to color  
crayons or watercolor paint, cup of water and q-tips  
yarn to gently tie children's hands

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read story
7. Have each child stand up and gently tie their hands together with yarn
8. Tell them they now have to serve King Nebuchadnezzar and
9. Quietly lead them down the hall and back
10. Ask them how they would feel if someone took them from their home
11. Let them color the book and then staple them
12. Sing "Trust and Obey"

**Explanation of Craft:**

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**Lesson #:** 6

**Lesson Title:** **The Vegetables: Daniel Eats Good Food**

Scripture: Daniel 1

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives) The children will learn:**

1. Daniel and 3 of his friends were taken to the palace with other men
2. The young men were given all kinds of yummy food and drinks
3. Daniel loved God and knew He would not want them to eat the unhealthy food
4. Daniel asked the king's helper to let them have vegetables and water for 10 days and they ended up stronger and healthier
5. God helped Daniel make the right choice

**Application from Lesson:**

We should ask God to help us to make good choices

**Materials Needed:**

Plastic vegetables and fruit

A piece of cardstock for each child

Clip art of different vegetables and also junk food, cut out

Glue stick for each child

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read story and let the children pretend to eat their vegetables
7. Help children with craft
8. Sing "My God Is So Big"

**Explanation of Craft:**

On the cardstock, write "GOOD" and "BAD" at the top. Hold up clip art and help the children decide which food is good and which food is bad. Let them glue the food under "GOOD" or "BAD" on the cardstock.

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**Lesson #:** 7**Lesson Title:** **The Statue: Daniel Tells Nebuchadnezzar's Dream**

Scripture: Daniel 2

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives)****The children will learn:**

1. Nebuchadnezzar had a bad dream that no one could interpret
2. Daniel and his friends prayed to God to help them
3. God told Daniel what the dream meant, and Daniel thanked God!
4. Daniel was able to tell Nebuchadnezzar about the dream and God's kingdom
5. The king believed in God and made Daniel ruler over Babylon

**Application from Lesson:**

We can influence others by trusting in the Lord

**Materials Needed:**

Color copy of statue, cut into strips  
Glue sticks for each child  
Construction paper for each child

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read the story to the children
7. Help children with craft, explaining each section of the statue and what they represented
8. Sing "My God is So Big"

**Explanation of Craft:**

The children will glue each section of the statue onto a piece of construction paper to make the statue from Nebuchadnezzar's dream

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**Lesson #:** 8**Lesson Title:** **The Furnace: Daniel's Friends Obey God**

Scripture: Daniel 3

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives) The children will learn:**

1. King Nebuchadnezzar had a golden idol made that everyone was to worship
2. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego would not kneel and worship the idol
3. The king threatened to throw them in the furnace but they weren't afraid because they knew God would take care of them
4. God sent an angel to protect them in the furnace
5. King Nebuchadnezzar made a law that no one could speak against their God

**Application from Lesson:**

God will take care of us when we stand up for what is right in His eyes

**Materials Needed:**

Cut out cardstock figures of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego  
Straws or popsicle sticks for each figure  
Paper lunch bags with a hole cut out (as a window into furnace)  
Clip art of flames, cut out

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read story to children from storybook
7. Help them with craft
8. Let the children play with the craft while reviewing the story

**Explanation of Craft:**

Tape the popsicle sticks or straws to the backs of the cardstock figures.  
Tape or glue flames to the bottom or the circle "window" on the paper lunch sack  
Stick the figures up into the paper sack so that it looks like they are in the furnace



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**Lesson #:** 9**Lesson Title:** **The Mystery: Daniel Explains God's Message**

Scripture: Daniel 5

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives) The children will learn:**

1. King Belshazzar used the gold and silver cups from the temple in Jerusalem to "show off" because he did not respect God
2. The king was frightened when the hand appeared and wrote the words
3. Daniel interpreted the words and the king believe him
4. The king did not love God so He let an army come take over Babylon

**Application from Lesson:**

We must be humble and show honor to God

**Materials Needed:**

Construction paper

Copy of brick wall with "Mene Mene Tekel Parsin" written on it

Clip art "I will serve God just like Daniel" cut out

Glue sticks

Crayons

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read story to children
7. Help them with craft
8. Sing a song or review the story

**Explanation of Craft:**

Help children glue wall to construction paper

Use crayon to trace child's hand on wall

Let children glue the clip art under their handprint

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**Lesson #:** 10**Lesson Title:** **The Lions: Daniel Keeps Praying**

Scripture: Daniel 6

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives)****The children will learn:**

1. Daniel loved God and prayed to Him 3 times a day
2. Daniel continued to pray to God even though a new law said he couldn't
3. God was pleased with Daniel and kept him safe in the lion's den
4. King Darius called for all the people to respect the one true God

**Application from Lesson:**

We should pray to God constantly and He will hear us

**Materials Needed:**

There are MANY crafts for this lesson in the folder.  
Chose one of the lions' den crafts and have the children make one of the prayer booklets that is in the folder.

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2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Read the story from a storybook
7. Help children with the craft
8. Sing "Be Like Daniel" (in folder)
9. Talk about prayer and how God helps us

**Explanation of Craft:**

Do a Daniel in the Lions' Den craft of your choosing  
Make a prayer booklet (pages are in folder) for each child. Ask each child what they are thankful for and who they would like God to help and write their answers in their booklets.

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**Lesson #:** 11**Lesson Title:** **The Queen: Esther Saves Her People**

Scripture: Esther 1-10

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives) The children will learn:**

1. Mordecai and Esther were Jews who loved the Lord
2. Bad people wanted to hurt the Jews, so Esther and Mordecai prayed to God for help
3. Esther was brave and told the king about the plan to hurt the Jews
4. Esther and Mordecai trusted God and He saved them

**Application from Lesson:**

God uses different people to carry out His plan and to teach others

**Materials Needed:**

A Beka cards - Esther Becomes Queen  
Brave Queen Esther coloring bookiet  
Crayons or watercolors and q-tips

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Use A Beka cards to tell the story of "Esther Becomes Queen"
7. Let children color Queen Esther book pages
8. Sing "My God is So Big"

**Explanation of Craft:**

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**Lesson #:** 12**Lesson Title:** **The Happy Day: God's People Come Home**

Scripture: Ezra 1-6

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives)****The children will learn:**

1. God moved King Cyrus' heart
2. Cyrus said that God's people should return to Jerusalem and build His temple
3. Their neighbors were to give them money, goods and livestock
4. God kept His Word and brought His people home after 70 years

**Application from Lesson:**

God loves His people and keeps His promises

**Materials Needed:**

Plastic gold and silver coins

Plastic food

Other "goods" for the neighbors to give God's people

"Going Home" Maze

crayons

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Tell the story to the children
7. Let the children act out the story: Have them take turns walking past "neighbors" who give them goods for their journey
8. Help the children do the "Going Home" maze

**Explanation of Craft:**

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**Lesson #:** 13**Lesson Title:** **The Wall: Nehemiah Rebuilds the Wall**

Scripture: Nehemiah 1-6

Memory Work: OT Books

Memory Verse: "... For He is the living God, and steadfast forever..." Daniel 6:26

**(Goals and Objectives) The children will learn:**

1. Nehemiah was sad Jerusalem's walls were crumbling so he prayed to God
2. Some people laughed and tried to stop them from building but God helped them
3. When the wall was finished, everyone wanted to praise God, even some of Nehemiah's enemies

**Application from Lesson:**

God will help us to work for Him

**Materials Needed:**

Copies of the page with 4 pictures from the story (a copy for each child, cut out)  
Construction paper for each child  
Glue sticks or each child  
Crayons or watercolors and Q-Tips

**Order of Activities and Songs:**

1. Have children work on puzzles until class begins
2. Let each child put a sticker on their attendance chart
3. Have each child say the memory verse and put a sticker on their chart
4. Review the OT books of the bible (sing song)
5. Say a prayer (If any children want to lead a prayer let them)
6. Tell the story using the cut out pictures. Have the children pick out the pictures that correspond to the story and put them in order
7. Finish craft
8. Review

**Explanation of Craft:**

Help the children glue the pictures, in order, on construction paper  
Let them color the pictures