

Bible Passage: Isaiah 6; 53

Story Point: Isaiah told about the Messiah.

> Key Passage: 2 Chronicles 7:14

Big Picture Question: How did God plan to fix what sin broke? God planned to send Jesus. Kid Connect (30 minutes) Large Group (15 minutes) Small Group (15 minutes)

LEADER Bible Study

King Uzziah's death marked the end of an era. His reign had been long and prosperous. Uzziah became king when he was 16, and he reigned over Judah for 52 years. Then Uzziah died. Under Uzziah's leadership, God's people had turned away from the promises of God and trusted in the promises of the world around them. God had promised to bless the entire world through Abraham's family, but God's people were rebellious. Instead of a blessing, they set themselves up to receive God's judgment.

But God's plans and promises were not thwarted. God sent the prophet Isaiah to preach a message of hope. Even though God was going to correct His people through judgment, His purpose was one of grace through which God would receive glory. God planned to send a Messiah who would bring salvation to the world.

Isaiah 6 opens with Isaiah's worshiping in the temple. God gave Isaiah a vision. Isaiah saw God sitting on a throne. The magnitude of God's holiness made Isaiah realize the magnitude of his own sin. His response? "Woe is me!" God extended His grace to Isaiah. He took away Isaiah's guilt, and sent him to His people.

Isaiah 53 records the fourth and final Servant song in the Book of Isaiah, describing God's plan of redemption. We see a vision of the promised Messiah, the innocent substitute who would suffer for the sake of sinners.

Jesus fulfilled Isaiah's prophecies of a Suffering Servant. People assumed God had cursed the Suffering Servant for His own sins. But no; Jesus was sinless. Isaiah wrote that He was pierced because of our transgressions and crushed because of our iniquities. His punishment is what brought our peace. The Suffering Servant died the death we deserve.

Isaiah's words came 700 years before Jesus was born. This was God's plan all along! When we trust in Jesus, our sins are wiped away and His righteousness is credited to us.



KID CONNECT

Welcome time

Arrival Music

Play intro music in the background as you greet preschoolers and follow your church's security procedures.

Play "I Spy"

<u>SAY</u> • "I spy with my little eye something ..." then describe an object in the room by color. Encourage children to guess the item you are describing. The child who guesses correctly may give the next description. Be prepared to offer assistance. Continue play as desired.

SAY • Good job telling me about what you saw! In our Bible story today, we will hear Isaiah talk about dreams he had from God. But no one else could see what he saw, and they would never have guessed it. I wonder if you will be able to guess who Isaiah saw in his dreams when you hear our Bible story?

Transition to Large Group

VIDEO: Countdown

Show the countdown video to gain the attention of all the preschoolers to move them to Large Group.



LARGE GROUP

Worship

Sing the key passage song, "You are Good" and "Return."

VIDEO: You are Good VIDEO: Return

Introduce the Bible story

Bible, Bookmark

CG: Giant Timeline

Place a bookmark at Isaiah 6 or 53 in your Bible. Invite a preschooler to open it. Display the open Bible.

<u>SAY</u> • Our Bible story today comes from the Book of Isaiah. God gave Isaiah these words to write. Since these are God's words, we know they are true!

<u>Point</u> to the Bible story picture on the giant timeline. Remind children that all the stories in the Bible fit together to tell an even bigger story. The Bible tells us the big story of how God rescues people through His Son, Jesus.

Watch the Bible story

Show the Bible story video using the bolded version of the Bible story for young preschoolers.

VIDEO: Isaiah, Prophet to Judah CG: Bible Story Picture CG: Story Point

SAY • Wow! Many years before Jesus was born, Isaiah told about the Savior. God planned all along that Jesus would come to save us. Everything happened exactly like Isaiah said. That proves Isaiah's message was from God! Only God knows everything that will happen in the future. Only God could make such an amazing plan to save people.

Practice the key passage

Bible, Key Passage Marker

CG: Key Passage

Place the key passage marker at 2 Chronicles 7:14. Invite a child to open your Bible to the key passage. Use motions for preschoolers to use as they say the key passage several times. <u>SAY</u> • "If my people (display arms in front) ...turn from their evil ways (turn your body), then I will (point up) ... forgive their sin, and heal their land (cross arms over chest)." 2 Chronicles 7:14 Our key passage was written years before Jesus or Isaiah lived! God said even then that He would send Jesus to be our forever friend and forgive our sin.

Learn the big picture question

<u>SAY</u> • *How did God plan to fix what sin broke? God planned to send Jesus.* God planned all along that Jesus would come to save us. Jesus is the special king whom God sent to save us and be our forever friend.

Pray and transition to small groups



CG: Big Picture Question

SMALL GROUP

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Build a throne

blocks

Invite preschoolers to work together to build a throne out of blocks. Comment on what it would be like to see God on His throne like a king as preschoolers work.

SAY • Wow! Great job working together friends! Today we learned that Isaiah had a dream from God. He saw God sitting on a throne. A throne is a chair for kings. God gave Isaiah a special job to do. Isaiah told about the Savior. God planned all along that King Jesus would come to save us. Ask children if they have ever seen a picture or a king or queen sitting on a throne?

Key passage with motions

Say the key passage using motions. Repeat several times and encourage the children for trying. <u>SAY</u> • "If my people (display arms in front) ...turn from their evil ways (turn your body), then I will (point up) ... forgive their sin and heal their land (cross arms over chest)." 2 Chronicles 7:14

Share the message

Rolled paper taped in shape of a megaphone, 1 per group

Have children sit in a circle. Select one child to stand up and take the megaphone. Instruct the child to walk around the circle. He or she can pretend to be Isaiah, saying "the Savior is coming", "the Savior is coming". Give each child a chance to share the message.

<u>SAY</u> • Good job sharing the messages! In our Bible story today, God sent Isaiah to share His message with the people. Isaiah told about the Savior God would send to fix what sin broke. Ask children who they would tell if God gave them a special message?

Review

Bible Story Picture Poster

Remind children that **Isaiah told about the Savior**. Jesus loves you and wants to be your forever friend.

<u>Show</u> the Bible story picture as you ask the following questions. Retell parts of the Bible story as needed.

- 1. Who did Isaiah say was coming? (the Savior)
- 2. Who came to save us from sin? (*Jesus*)
- 3. How will Jesus feel when He sees all the people He saved? (He will be happy.)

>How did God plan to fix what sin broke? God planned to send Jesus.

Connect with Parents/Influencers

Preschool Activity Page, crayons

Preschoolers may color the Story Point coloring page as parents arrive. Encourage them to do the activity page at home with their family this week.

