Unit 15 • Session 1 Isaiah, Prophet to Judah

Bible Passage: Isaiah 6; 53

Story Point: God planned to send Jesus.

Key Passage: 2 Chronicles 7:14b

Christ connection: God sent Jesus to forgive our sin.

Bible Story for Toddlers

One day, Isaiah the prophet saw God on His throne. Angels were standing above God, and they said, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD!" Isaiah was afraid. An angel touched Isaiah's mouth with a hot coal from the altar. Then the Lord said, "Who should I send? Who will go for Us?" Isaiah said, "Here I am. Send me." God showed Isaiah many things that would happen in the future because God's people did not love Him. God had a plan to send the Messiah, or special King. Isaiah said the Messiah would be punished for our wrong choices. It was God's plan for the Messiah—who did not do wrong things—to be hurt so we can be forgiven. Later, when Jesus died on the cross and came back to life, people knew Isaiah had spoken about Him.

Babies Gospel Gems

Isaiah saw God on His throne. God told Isaiah to tell people about the Messiah. Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God.

How to use the Activities

As a nursery volunteer, your primary focus is on keeping babies-toddlers safe and happy. We understand that your classroom is busy, and your hands are literally full. However, we know that your influence on these children is more than childcare. The activities included in this lesson are suggestions of how to be more intentional in pointing little ones to Jesus. The theme will remain the same all month long. Choose one activity per week to focus on and don't worry if you run out of time.

Connect with Parents/Influencers

Each month make sure to pass out the Big Picture Card for families to interact with at home.



BABIES ACTIVITIES

Look in the Bible

Provide hand-size <u>Bibles</u> for babies to handle. Open your Bible to Isaiah 6. Show the <u>Bible story</u> <u>picture</u> as you say the gospel gems in a soothing voice. Read the <u>key passage card</u>.

• Isaiah saw God on His throne in all of His power and glory. God told Isaiah to tell people about the Messiah. GOD PLANNED TO SEND JESUS. Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. [Pray for babies.]

Sing a Bible story song

Sing to the tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb":

"God had a plan to rescue us, rescue us, rescue us!

God had a plan to rescue us. God sent Jesus."

SAY • GOD PLANNED TO SEND JESUS. God sent Jesus to rescue us. Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God.

Build a throne

Provide <u>soft blocks</u> for babies to stack to build a throne. Set a king or queen <u>figure</u> on top of the throne. Remind babies that God is our King.

SAY • Isaiah saw God on His throne. Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. **GOD PLANNED TO SEND JESUS**. God sent Jesus to save us.

TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Circle time (5 minutes)

Provide small <u>Bibles</u> for toddlers to handle. Say the Bible is God's words. Read the <u>key passage card</u> to toddlers. Open your Bible to Isaiah 6. Show the <u>Bible story picture</u> as you tell the story. Say the story point and gospel gems. Pray.

Pick up "coal"

Crumple <u>black construction paper</u> or roll <u>black socks</u> into balls. Place the "coal" in a <u>basket</u>. Give toddlers <u>rubber-tipped tongs</u> to practice fine motor skills by removing the coal from the basket. Retell the Bible story as toddlers play.

<u>SAY</u> • Isaiah saw God on His throne, and he knew he was not holy like God. God took away Isaiah's sin when the angel touched the coal to Isaiah's lips. <u>GOD PLANNED TO SEND JESUS</u>. God sent Jesus to forgive our sin.

Here I am

Invite toddlers to scatter around the room. When you call a child's name, she will run to you. Give a high-five and say the story point. Retell the story.

SAY • GOD PLANNED TO SEND JESUS. God sent Jesus to forgive our sin.

Make cross art

<u>Cut</u> a large sheet of <u>paper</u> into a cross shape. <u>Tape</u> it to a table or wall at a toddler's height. Provide <u>heart-shaped stickers</u> for toddlers to stick on the cross. Talk about the Bible story.

SAY • Isaiah saw God on His throne, and God gave him a job to do. God told Isaiah to tell people about the Messiah. The Messiah would be hurt to rescue people from their wrong choices. GOD PLANNED TO SEND JESUS. When Jesus died on the cross and came back to life, people knew that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God.

