

SUMMER 2024

Unit 1, Session 5

CONNECTION POINT:

God blesses those who humbly look to Him.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: History has shown us many times what happens when people turn back to God. The great awakening in colonial America and the Welsh revival in 1904 are just two examples of a great turning to God and the subsequent results in the country. God's promises have not changed; He desires to bless our country with His guidance and presence, but it calls for us to do what happened in previous awakenings, humble ourselves before God in repentance and submission.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Live It Out: Review the Bible story with your child. Say the Weekly Verse: "God knows what I do and what I think. Psalm 139:2." Help your child repeat the verse with you.

God spoke to Samuel, "Go to Jesse's house in Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons as the new king." God told Samuel everything he should do.

Samuel traveled to Bethlehem. He invited Jesse and Jesse's sons to worship with him.

Samuel thought Jesse's oldest son was the new king. God said, "He is not the one."

Samuel looked at seven of Jesse's sons. He said that God did not choose any of the seven.

Samuel asked if Jesse had another son. Jesse said, "My youngest son is taking care of the sheep."

Samuel said, "Send for him. We will wait until he comes."

The youngest son was David. He came to Samuel. God said, "He is the one."

Samuel poured oil on David. David would be the next king.

KIDS

Scripture: 1 Samuel 16

Live It Out: Read 1 Samuel 16:7 and Psalm 139:1-6 with your child. Remind him that God knows him like He knew David. Pray with your child that God will guide him in obedience.

God told Samuel, "I am sending you to Jesse's house. I have chosen one of his sons to be the new king."

Samuel went to Jesse's house in Bethlehem. Samuel invited Jesse's family to the sacrifice.

Jesse and his sons went to meet Samuel. When Samuel saw the oldest son, he thought, "Surely this is our new king." God told Samuel that this was not the one.

Jesse presented seven sons to Samuel, but none of them were the new king. Samuel asked, "Do you have any more sons?" Jesse said, "The youngest son, David, is in the fields with the sheep." Samuel replied, "Send for him."

When Samuel saw David, he knew that David was the chosen one to be the new king of Israel. God told Samuel, "Anoint him, for he is the one."

STUDENTS

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 7:1-3,12-20

- Why do you think Solomon's one request to God was for wisdom to rule the people well? Why is wisdom so important in our lives today?
- What is repentance? Why is it such an important part of our relationship with God?
- How have you experienced God's blessings in your life?

Live It Out: God's invitation to return to Him and experience His blessings was offered directly to Israel. However, that same invitation is extended to all people today. No matter who we are, what we've done in the past, or the struggles we currently face, if we repent of sin and trust Jesus for salvation, God will provide healing and restoration.

With your family, make a list of any neighbors or friends who do not know the good news of salvation. Make it a point to connect with those who need to hear and prepare to share the gospel with them.