

Age 3 and 4 and Kindergarten Lesson Template

Where	Who and What	What you Need
Classroom	Teacher takes attendance Give students a sticker	Paper on table, check off who is here, put onto the clipboard
	Whisper a message, see page 9.	
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Lorene. She will get you when ready	
Classroom:	Worksheet: Which items are in half?	
	Take playdough. Make an object with a stencil or without. Then divide it in half. Talk about how the land got divided with two kings now.	Playdough
	Summer Scripture Bingo - Hand out to students to bring home for the summer	Bingo Worksheet



WELCOME Preschoolers

Post an Allergy Alert, if needed. Set out supplies to engage preschoolers as they arrive. Play music as you welcome preschoolers. Greet children by name at eye level. Follow your church's security procedures.

1 ACTIVITY PAGE

Lead preschoolers to complete "Together or Apart?" on the Activity Page.

SAY "You figured out which items were broken into two parts and which ones were whole. In today's Bible story, we will learn that because King Solomon did not listen to God, God split the kingdom into two parts."

2 SESSION STARTER

Use one or both of the following options to engage curiosity about today's Bible story.

WHISPER A MESSAGE



Invite preschoolers to sit in a circle. Quietly whisper messages to the child on your right to introduce the story. Lead children to continue whispering the message through the circle and invite the last child to say it aloud. Clarify messages as needed. Use phrases that introduce today's story like: "Solomon stopped obeying God," "God was sad," or "God split the kingdom into two parts."

SAY "In today's Bible story, King Solomon did not listen to God. This made God sad. After Solomon died, only part of the kingdom would be ruled by Solomon's son, Rehoboam. **REHOBAM'S SIN DIVIDED THE KINGDOM.**"

PLAY WITH CALCULATORS

Offer calculators to preschoolers. Consider setting out adding machines with paper as well. Demonstrate how to press the buttons and point out how they appear on the display screens or on the adding machines' advancing tape.

SAY "People use machines like this when they need to count items or add numbers together. I see the number three. In our story today, Solomon's son, Rehoboam, thought for three days about how he would rule the people. I see the number two. God divided the kingdom into two parts. I also see the number one. There is only one true God."

3 TRANSITION TO LEARN

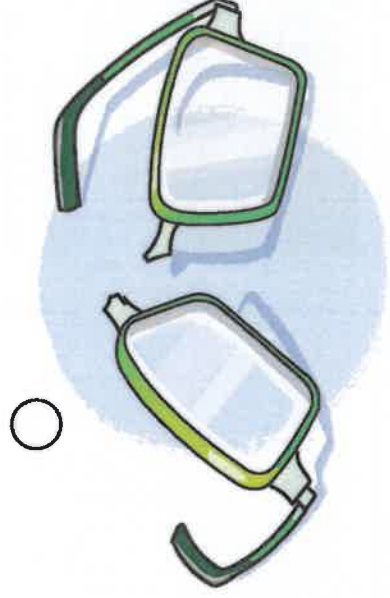
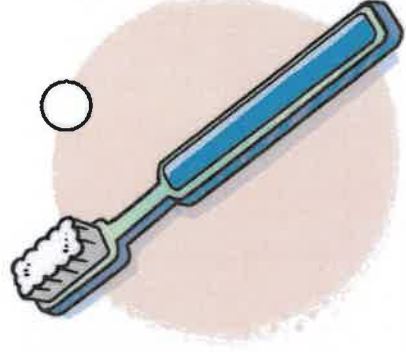
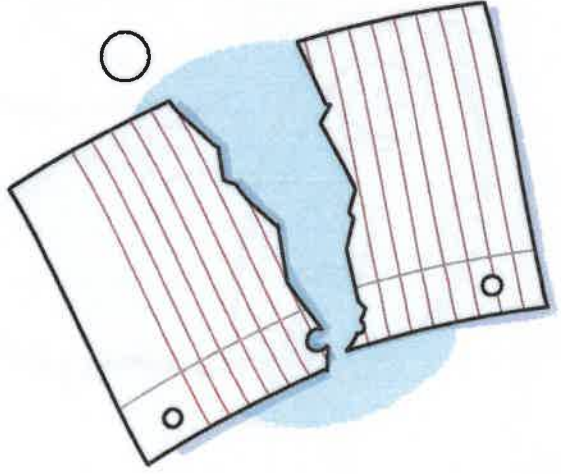
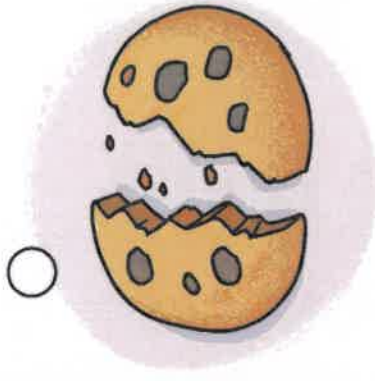
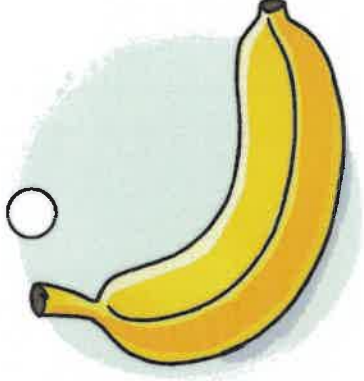
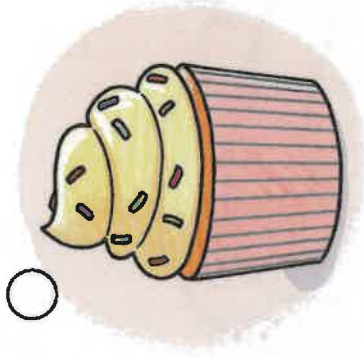
Gain preschoolers' attention by showing the countdown video, turning the lights off and on, or clapping a simple rhythm for children to copy. Invite preschoolers to count "1, 2, 3," and move as if they are waltzing as they transition to Learn.

Transition from **WELCOME** to **LEARN**

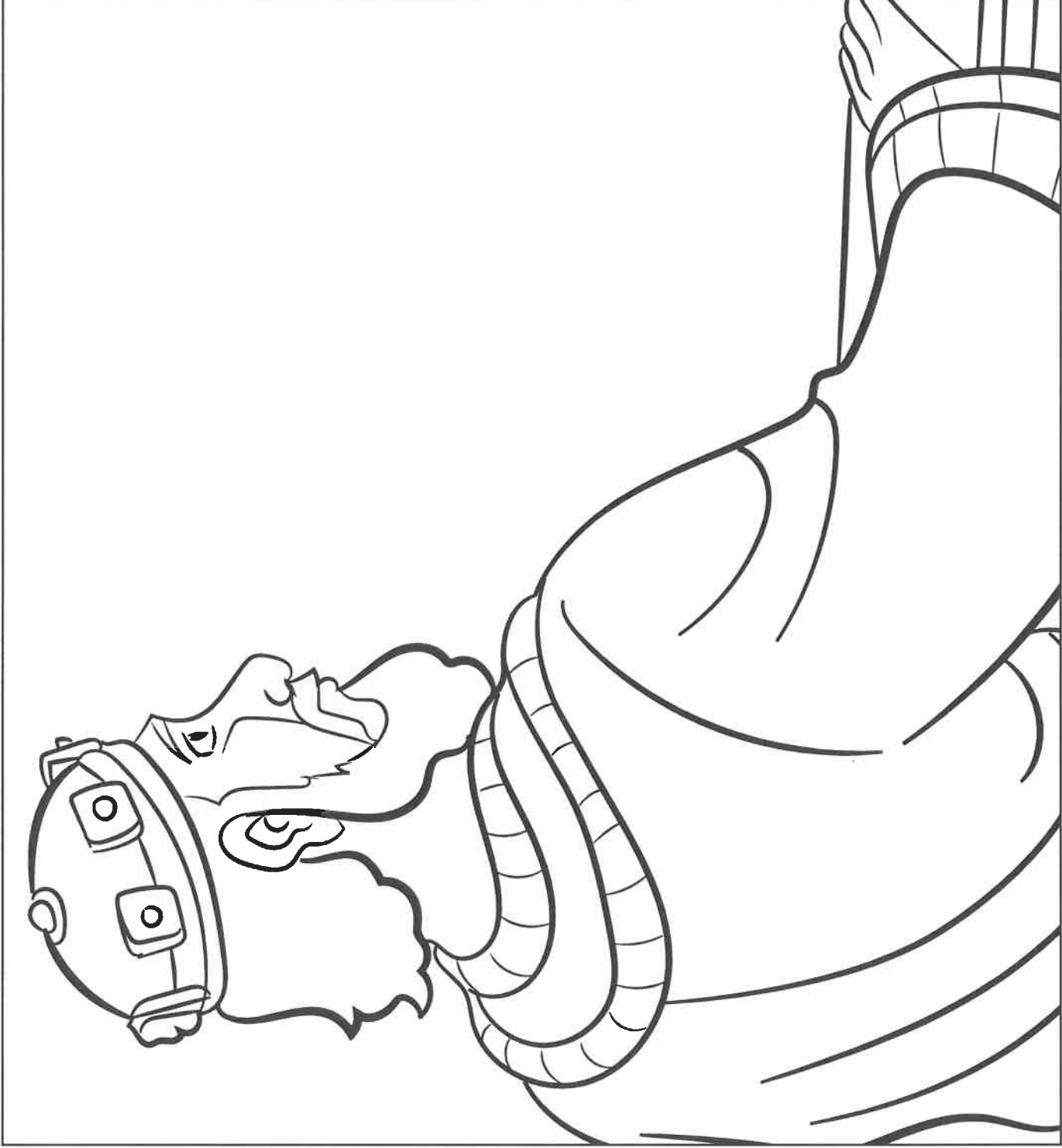


Together or Apart?

INSTRUCTIONS: Rehoboam's sin divided the kingdom. Color in the circle beside the items that are separated into two parts.



NAME: _____



The Kingdom Divided

1 Kings 11–13

STORY POINT:

Rehoboam's sin divided the kingdom.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Rehoboam made a wrong choice, and God's people split into two groups. But Jesus, our good King, brings together all who trust in Him and welcomes them into His kingdom forever.

KEY PASSAGE:

1 Kings 8:60

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

How many gods are there? There is one true God.



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