

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
	Choose to do Play a Game or Wait for It on page 17	
	Which has more worksheet	Worksheet
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Bryan.He will get you when ready	
Classroom:	Make signs: see instructions on page 21	Popsicle sticks Glue Construction paper
	Hand out memory verse cards to those who didn't get one last week	



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 “Which Has More?” on the Activity Page.

SAY *You circled the sets that had more than the others. In today's Bible story, we will hear about a time when the Israelite army was afraid because the enemy army had more soldiers, more chariots, and more horses! King Saul's fear led him to make a very wrong choice.*

2 SESSION STARTER

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

PLAY A GAME

Lead preschoolers to play “Mother, May I?” Invite boys and girls to line up on one side of the room. Guide each child to ask a question such as, “Mother, may I take two steps forward?” Answer with, “Yes, you may.” Continue until each child makes it to the other side of the room. Encourage preschoolers to use different motions but no numbers greater than five.

SAY *You did a great job asking for permission and obeying what you were told. In today's Bible story, King Saul disobeyed God. He did not wait for Samuel to make a sacrifice before he went into battle. SAUL WAS A GREAT WARRIOR BUT CHOSE TO DISOBEY GOD.*

WAIT FOR IT

Invite preschoolers to play the quiet game. Provide fidget toys for preschoolers to play with as they wait quietly. See who can stay quiet the longest. After each round, talk with preschoolers about whether or not it was hard to wait and be quiet.

SAY *Waiting can be hard, especially when there is something we want to do. Today we will hear a true story from the Bible about a time when King Saul did not wait and chose to disobey God. Because he did not wait, Saul would not be king for much longer.*

3 TRANSITION TO LEARN

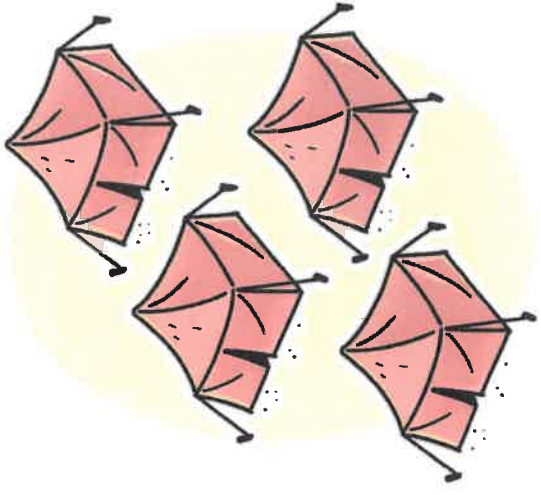
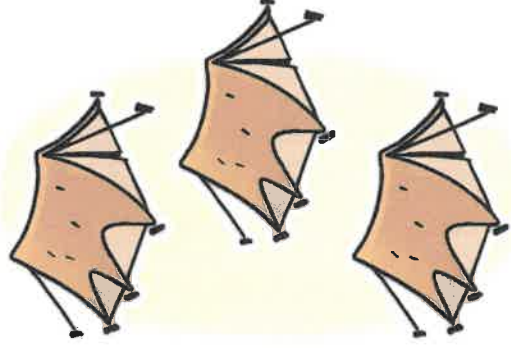
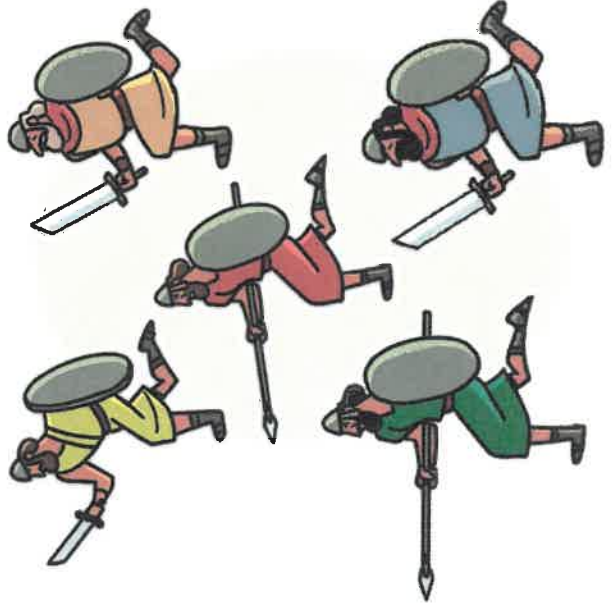
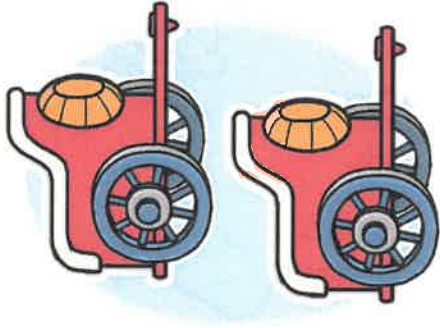
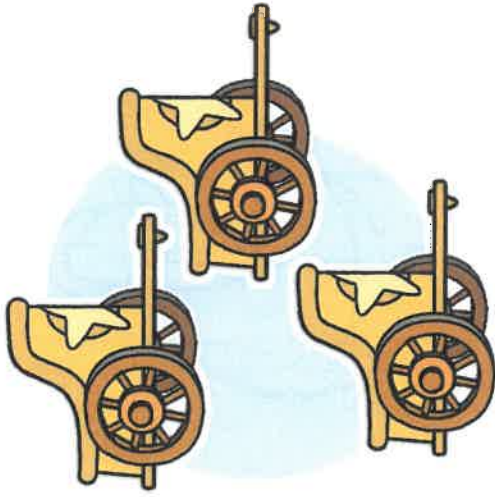
Gain preschoolers' attention by showing the countdown video, turning the lights off and on, or clapping a simple rhythm for children to copy. Invite preschoolers to march in a line as they transition to Learn.

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



Which Has More?

INSTRUCTIONS: Saul was a great warrior, but he disobeyed God. Count the pictures in each set. Circle the group that has more.





THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

LOVE God because of what we learned

1 PRAY

Invite preschoolers to close their eyes and think about God as they talk with Him.

SAY 🙏 God, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, as our perfect King. Thank You that because of Jesus, we have forgiveness for our sins and the promise of life forever with You if we trust and believe in Jesus. Amen. 🙏

2 SNACK AND TALK



Post an Allergy Alert. Wash hands or use hand sanitizer. Serve a snack. Show the Bible Story Picture Poster as you ask the following questions. Retell parts of the Bible story as needed.

SAY 🙏 What was your favorite part of today's Bible story? 🙏

SAY 🙏 What did you learn about God in today's Bible story? 🙏

SAY 🙏 What was Saul's punishment for disobeying God? 🙏

SAY 🙏 **Who is our King? Jesus is our King, and He rules over the world.** 🙏

3 MAKE SIGNS

Distribute a sheet of construction paper and crayons or washable markers to preschoolers. Assist preschoolers in folding their papers in half. Tape a craft stick in the middle of the folded paper to use as a handle. Use glue sticks to seal the folded paper together. Demonstrate how to draw a smiling face on one side of the paper and a sad face on the other side. Invite preschoolers to make their own happy and sad face signs, assisting as needed. Lead children to hold their signs. Name different situations where people are obeying or disobeying. Invite preschoolers to hold up the smiling face sign if the people are obeying and the sad face sign if the people are disobeying. Use examples such as sharing, telling a lie, helping a friend, using unkind words, listening to your parents, and so forth.

SAY 🙏 What does the word obey mean? (to do what someone tells you to do) In today's Bible story, Saul did not obey God's command. **SAUL WAS A GREAT WARRIOR BUT CHOSE TO DISOBEY GOD.** Because he disobeyed by offering a sacrifice on his own, God would soon choose a new king. Unlike Saul, who disobeyed God, Jesus is the perfect King. He never did anything wrong. He will rule over the world forever. 🙏

