

WEEK SEVEN

INVESTIGATORS TAKE A CLOSER LOOK

BIBLE STORY

LOOK AT HOW I
CAN TALK TO GOD

MAIN POINT

I CAN TALK TO
GOD

LIFE POINT

I CAN SEE THAT
GOD HEARS ME

VERSE

BUT GOD HAS
LISTENED. HE HAS
HEARD MY
PRAYER.

PSALM 66:19

Hey Special Agents! It is time for Investigators: Take A Closer Look! Today we will be looking at how God hears us when we pray! We can talk to God and know that he hears us and cares about us!

STORY

A long time ago, there was a woman named Hannah. Hannah and her Husband really wanted a baby, but they did not have a baby.

Hannah was so sad. Hannah prayed to God. She asked God to give her a son.

Hannah prayed and prayed and prayed and prayed. Hannah was so sad about not having a baby that she would cry as she talked to God. Hannah was honest with God in her prayers and she kept asking God to give her a son.

One day God gave Hannah a son. Hannah named him Samuel and said "His name is Samuel because I asked the Lord for him."



CRAFTS

PRAYER POT

What you need:

- Pot
- Markers
- Popsicle Sticks

What to do:

Step 1: Decorate your prayer pot

Step 2: Write things you and your family want to pray for on the popsicle sticks. During family worship time take turns drawing a stick or two and pray for those things together. Examples: people, church, school, missionaries, countries, etc.

What to say:

We can talk to God. When we pray God hears us!

HANNAH CRAFT

What you need:

- Coloring page
- crayons
- scissors

What to do:

Step 1: Color the page.

Step 2: Cut out the left image. This will be your flap.

Step 3: Glue on the flap onto the other image.

What to say:

Hannah was so sad because she did not have a child. Hannah prayed to God and God heard her! When we pray to God he hears us just like he heard Hannah!

INVESTIGATORS

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK

PLAY TELEPHONE

What you need:

- just you!

What to do:

Step 1: Have your family sit in a circle.

Step 2: Choose who will be the starting person. This person chooses a word or sentence to whisper into the next persons ear. That person tells what they hear to the next and so on until we reach the end. The last person will tell everyone what they heard.

What to say:

Today, we learned that God hears us when we pray. In our game we had to listen closely to hear what the other person was saying. Sometimes we had trouble hearing what the other person said, but God always hears us!

MEMORY VERSE GAME

What you need:

- chalk

What to do:

Step 1: Draw hopscotch on the sidewalk using the chalk.

Step 2: Inside the hopscotch boxes write the words of our memory verse.

Step 3: Go through the hopscotch. As you hop on each word say it out loud.

What to say:

Isn't it amazing that God hears us when we pray? Let's practice our memory verse together so that we can always remember that God hears us when we pray.



FAMILY QUESTIONS

TODDLERS

1. Why was Hannah sad? (She wanted a baby)
2. What did Hannah do? (Hannah talked to God and asked him for a son)
3. Did God hear her? (Yes!)
4. Did God answer her prayer? (Yes! He gave her a son!)

ELEMENTARY

1. Why was Hannah sad? (She wanted a baby)
2. What did Hannah do? (Hannah talked to God and asked him for a son)
3. Did God hear her? (Yes!)
4. Did God answer her prayer? (Yes! He gave her a son!)
5. Does God hear us when we pray? (Yes!)
6. Has God ever answered something you have prayed for?

VERSE WITH MOTIONS

But God (point to the sky) has listened (point to your ears). He (point to the sky) has heard (point to your ears again) my prayer (put your hands together like you are praying).

Psalm 66:19 (pretend to open and close your bible as you say the reference)