

Eagle Kids Syllabus

Fall 2022

September 4, 2022

Get on Track Lesson Fruit of the Spirit
Know Right: When I have the Holy Spirit, I have the power to become more like Jesus.
Think Right: 2 Peter 3:18a (Top 12)
Do Right: I will allow the Holy Spirit to help me become more like Jesus.
Feel Right: I can feel joyful when I become more like Jesus.

Lesson 1: September 11, 2022

Quarter Review

Know Right: Review of David and the Israelites.
Think Right: 2 Peter 3:18a (Top 12)
Do Right: I will learn God's Word.
Feel Right: I can feel excited to learn God's Word.

Lesson 2: September 18, 2022

1 Samuel 18:1-9, 19:1-9, 20:1-42

Know Right: David and Jonathan's friendship begins with God.
Think Right: Mark 12:30-31 (Top 12)
Do Right: True friends will remain committed to God.
Feel Right: We can feel loyal when we remain committed to God.

Lesson 3: September 25, 2022:

1 Samuel 24, 26, 31; 2 Samuel 1:1-16, 5:1-4

Know Right: King Saul tries to kill David.
Think Right: Proverbs 3:5-6 (Top 12)
Do Right: I will patiently trust God when I have problems.
Feel Right: I can feel peaceful when I patiently trust God with my problems.

Lesson 4: October 2, 2022

2 Samuel 4:4, 9:1-13

Know Right: David keeps his promise to Jonathan.
Think Right: John 14:2 (Top 12)
Do Right: I will keep my promises.
Feel Right: I can feel trustworthy when I keep my promises.

Lesson 5: October 9, 2022

2 Samuel 24 (Parallel account in 1 Chronicles 21)

Know Right: King David confesses his sin of counting his troops.
Think Right: 1 John 1:9
Do Right: I will admit, confess, and repent when I sin.
Feel Right: I can feel forgiven after I admit, confess, and repent when I sin.

Lesson 6: October 16, 2022 Family Worship

1 Chronicles 28:1-20, 29:26-28; 2 Chronicles 1:1-12, 3:1 - 7:22 (Parallel Account in 1 Kings 1-9)

Know Right: Solomon asks for wisdom.

Think Right: James 1:5

Do Right: I will ask God for wisdom.

Feel Right: I can feel wise when I ask and receive wisdom from God.

Lesson 7: October 23, 2022

1 Kings 9 and 11

Know Right: Solomon follows other gods.

Think Right: Mark 12:30-31 (Top 12)

Do Right: I will be faithful to God.

Feel Right: I can feel confident when I am faithful to God.

Lesson 8: October 30, 2022

1 Kings 17

Know Right: God provides for the needs of Elijah and the widow.

Think Right: Joshua 1:9 (Top 12)

Do Right: I will trust that God will provide for my needs.

Feel Right: I can feel secure when I trust God to provide for my needs.

Lesson 9: November 6, 2022

1 Kings 18

Know Right: Elijah challenges the prophets of Baal.

Think Right: John 14:6 (Top 12)

Do Right: I will only believe in the one, true, powerful God.

Feel Right: I can feel victorious when I believe in the one, true, powerful God.

Lesson 10: November 13, 2022

1 Kings 19:1-18

Know Right: Elijah flees out of fear.

Think Right: Joshua 1:9 (Top 12)

Do Right: I will know that God is always with me.

Feel Right: I can feel brave because I know God is with me.

Lesson 11: November 20, 2022

1 Kings 19:19-21; 2 Kings 2:1-18

Know Right: Elijah and Elisha see God's power.

Think Right: 1 Corinthians 15:58 (Top 12)

Do Right: I will look for God's power and tell others about it.

Feel Right: I can feel amazed when I see God's power.

Lesson 12: November 27, 2022 Family Worship

Review Day (Scavenger Hunt/Football Review Game)

Know Right: True wisdom comes from God's Word.

Think Right: 2 Peter 3:18a (Top 12)

Do Right: I will remember God's Word.

Feel Right: I can feel wise when I remember God's Word.

Quarter Overview

Year 3 – Quarter 1

This past quarter we saw how Gideon, Ruth, Hannah, Samuel, and David followed God. We also learned from Samson, the Israelites, and Saul as they showed what it means to reject God's way and reap the consequences. We continue our journey with the Israelites in our quest to learn God's Word.

In this lesson, we learn what it means to have true friendship. King Saul was on a mission to destroy David, his anointed successor. Amazingly, Saul's son, Jonathan, allowed his best friend, David, to escape from his father's jealous wrath, even though he himself could have been hurt. David and Jonathan's friendship teaches us that true friends will remain committed to God no matter the situation.

David remained on the run, with Saul and his men in hot pursuit. Twice God allowed David to find Saul in vulnerable positions to see if David would take matters into his own hands. Each time David remained loyal to Saul and patiently trusted God to take care of his enemy. In God's perfect timing, Saul died in battle with the Philistines. Saul's death prepared the way for David to take the throne as the new king of Israel. From David, we learn that when we have problems, we should patiently trust God.

King Saul did not die alone in battle with the Philistines. David's loyal friend, Jonathan, was also killed. David had promised Jonathan that he would always be kind to Jonathan's family. After Saul and Jonathan were killed, David became the king. David kept his promise to Jonathan's son, Mephibosheth, who couldn't walk because of a disability. In order to make sure he would always be taken care of, David gave him everything that had belonged to Saul. David also showed great honor to Mephibosheth by inviting him to eat at his table. David showed us the importance of keeping our promises.

David is the only person in the Bible that God calls "a man after my own heart." Even with this incredible distinction, we learn that David, like all people, was sinful. One occasion of David's sin took place when he ordered a census of Israel. When he realized his sin, David admitted it, confessed it to God, and repented of it. David's response to his sin shows us that all Christians should be humble and admit, confess, and repent of their sins.

David's love for God led to his desire to build the temple in Jerusalem. God, however, had another plan. God told David He had chosen his son Solomon to be the next king and the one to build His earthly house. David gave Solomon God's plan, the materials, and the instructions for the temple. He implored his son to be strong and courageous and do the work that God had planned. God was with Solomon and allowed him to ask for whatever he wanted. Instead of asking for wealth, honor, or long life, Solomon selflessly asked for wisdom and knowledge to lead God's people. In turn, God gave Solomon all he asked for and more. This display of God's infinite grace encourages us to be like Solomon and ask God for wisdom.

Solomon had a huge job to do for God. Not only was he to build the new temple, but he was also the man God chose to be Israel's new king. God's desire was for Solomon to walk in the ways of his father, David, by loving God and obeying Him from the heart. God promised perpetual leadership in Israel for Solomon and his descendants, if they would be obedient and not turn from God's ways. God also warned Solomon of the consequences if he or his sons rebelled. This included Israel's removal from the Promised Land and destruction of the temple. Unfortunately, Solomon failed to heed God's clear warning and he turned away to follow other gods. Solomon's failure clearly illustrates we should always be faithful to God.

One consequence of King Solomon's unfaithfulness was the division of Israel into two separate kingdoms, Judah and Israel. As Israel's leadership and people sank further into rebellion against God by worshiping false gods, prophets were sent to pronounce the punishment. One of these prophets was Elijah, who was sent to tell evil King Ahab about the impending three years of drought. In spite of the drought and resulting famine, God took miraculous care of His obedient servant by using ravens at a brook in the wilderness and a widow in enemy territory. Through Elijah's experience in difficult circumstances, we can trust that God will provide for our needs.

When Israel remained in rebellion and continued to worship foreign gods, Elijah's job continued. God told Elijah to go present himself to Ahab, and He would send rain to end the three years of drought. To ensure that Ahab and all the Israelites understood that it was the one true God who was in control, Elijah challenged the prophets of Baal to a duel of the altars. God gave Elijah the victory by sending fire from heaven to consume His altar and by sending the rain to end the drought. When we have seen God's power, it helps us believe only in the one, true, powerful God.

When King Ahab told his wicked queen, Jezebel, about Elijah's victory from God, she vowed to kill the faithful prophet. In spite of his prior courage in the face of danger, Elijah became afraid and ran for his life. As God's discouraged servant retreated into the desert, his Heavenly Father took care of him and, in gentleness, told him that there was still work for him to do in the world. Elijah witnessed God's mercy and discovered that God is always with us.

Elijah's next assignment was to find and anoint Elisha to be his successor. Elijah obeyed God's command, and Elisha left his home and family to be Elijah's apprentice and attendant. Through the ensuing years, Elijah continued to do God's work and experience the power of his God. He trained Elisha to take over to become the next faithful prophet in Israel. When Elijah's time came to depart this world, God sent for him with a chariot and horses of fire and took Elijah to heaven in a whirlwind. Elijah's ministry challenges us to look for God's power and tell others about it.

As we come to the close of our Old Testament study and move on to the New Testament in the next quarter, we take a day to recall all God has taught us and make sure His truth is firmly planted in our hearts. We praise the one true God for all He has done and ask Him to help us remember His Word.