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UNIT 14: THE NORTHERN KINGDOM

Session I: Elisha the Prophet 2 Kings 2, 4-5



Sunday, October 5

Why do
Christians
continue to sin?

Christians continue to sin because we still have a sin nature, but when Jesu returns, He will make us sinless like Him.

Memory Verse: Deuteronomy 13:4

"You must follow the Lord your God and fear him. You must keep his commands and listen to him; you must worship him and remain faithful to him."

Monday, October 6

SESSION I



Before you read...

God had many prophets in the Old Testament. A prophet was someone who spoke God's words to the people. Elijah was the prophet who confronted the false prophets of Baal. This week, we'll learn that Elijah's time on earth was coming to an end, and God called a new prophet named Elisha. (Their names are so similar! Practice saying E-ly-JUH. Practice saying E-ly-SHUH.)

Read 2 Kings 2:5-12

what did Elisha ask Elijah for?

Draw a picture of at least 3 things you would like a double portion of.

Elisha followed Elijah because he knew God's Spirit was with Elijah. Now God is sending Elisha on his own to be a prophet. Similarly, God gave us the Holy Spirit when Jesus went up to heaven. Jesus has sent us out with the Holy Spirit to tell others about God. Who has taught you about God's Word? Who have you taught about God's Word?

SESSION I



Before you read...

- This week, we are learning about a new prophet, Elisha. Yesterday, we learned that Elijah was taken up to heaven in a whirlwind, but not before Elisha asked him for a double portion of his spirit.
- God uses Elisha to perform many miracles. We are going to look at several of them this week. But at the end of 2 Kings 2, we get to see the first miracle God does through Elisha.



Read 2 Kings 2:19-22

What was the problem in the land?
What did Elisha do?
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Who or what do you think truly healed the water?

Wednesday, October 8

SESSION I



Before you read...

- This week, we are learning about a new prophet, Elisha. Yesterday, we learned that Elisha's first miracle was to heal the water in the land.
- With each miracle, God was showing his people that they could trust him with all the details of their lives. Each day this week we will read about a different miracle.



Read 2 Kings 4:1-7

	what miracle dia Goa perform for the widow:
	Why did she need the oil?
>	Describe a time when you didn't know how to solve a problem. How did God help?

SESSION I



Before you read...

- This week, we are learning about a new prophet, Elisha. Yesterday, we read about a miracle Elisha did for a widow. God multiplied the oil the widow had so that she could sell it and pay her debts!
- ▶ Today's miracle is a little bit longer to read. If you want to read the whole story, start at 2 Kings 4:8. If it is too long for you, here is what you need to know: Through the words of Elisha, God gave a son to a woman who could not have children. One day the child became ill and died. His mother immediately traveled to another city where she found Elisha. Elisha came back to the woman's home.



Read 2 Kings 4:32-37

When the child died, his mom must have telt very sad. But instead of mourning, she immediately went to find Elisha. Why do you think she did that?
What did Elisha do for the child?
Why do you think God raised the child from the dead?
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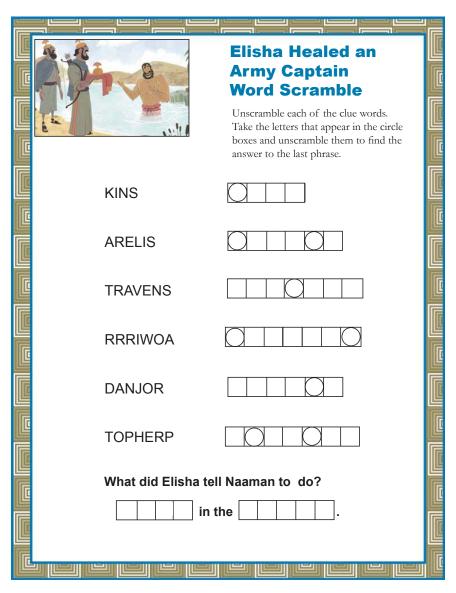
Before you read...

- This week, we are learning about a new prophet, Elisha. Yesterday, we read about another miracle Elisha did for a widow. God gave Elisha the power to bring a dead boy back to life!
- Today we will read about an army commander named Naaman who had leprosy. Leprosy is a disease that causes white spots on your skin and it eventually causes your skin to shrivel up. People who had leprosy were not allowed to live with or even be close to other people.



Read 2 Kings 5:9-14

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	What did Elisha tell Naaman to do?
	What did Naaman think of Elisha's instructions?
	Tell about a time when you received instructions you did not want to follow.



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Session 2: Jonah, Prophet to Nineveh Jonah



Sunday, October 12

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Memory Verse: Deuteronomy 13:4

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Monday, October 13



Before you read...

➤ We are learning about the prophets who spoke God's words and performed miracles to show the people that God is the one true God. This week, we will learn how God sent Jonah to Nineveh to tell the people to turn from their sinful ways. Even if this story is familiar to you, try to read it like you have never heard it before.



Read Jonah 1:1-6

But Jonah tried to run away instead. Do you think Jonah (o anyone) can run away from God? Why?
So, God sent a storm. There is a pattern here. God asked Jonah to do something. Jonah disobeys and hides. God sends a consequence. Have you experienced this pattern in your own life? Tell about a time when you disobeyed, hid and received a consequence.

Tuesday, October 14

SESSION 2



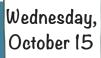
Before you read...

- This week, we are reading about how God sent Jonah to Nineveh to tell the people to turn from their sinful ways.
- ▶ We left off yesterday with Jonah and the sailors on the ship in a terrible storm. The sailors do not know God like Jonah does. The sailors have discovered that Jonah might be the cause of the storm. Jonah has a solution that seems honorable and repentant, but some Bible experts think Jonah is still just trying to get away from God.



Read Jonah 1:11-17

Look	at verse 13 again. What did the men try to do?
	t do you think the sailors learned about God?
	t is something you have tried to do on your own when you ld have asked God for help?





Before you read...

- Many lives are changed in the book of Jonah. Yesterday we read that the sailors, who did not know God before this trip, began to have great respect for the Lord.
- Today we will read part of Jonah's prayer from inside the huge fish. You can read his whole prayer by reading all of chapter 2. Jonah quotes many phrases from Psalms in his prayer. This shows that he had great knowledge of God's Word.



Read Jonah 2:1-2, 6-7

onah says he was on the edge of the pit. He was in the worst place he had ever been. But his prayer still reached God. Wha does this say about God?
What is the worst circumstance you have ever been in? Did you cry out to God?

Thursday, October 16

SESSION 2



Before you read...

- In Jonah has now been spit out on dry land and obeys the Lord and goes to Nineveh.
- ▶ We have seen how the sailors' lives and Jonah's life have been changed. Now we will read about the Ninevites.



Read Jonah 3:1-5, 10

What message did God have for the people of Nineveh? Look at verse 4.
How did the people respond?
How did God respond?





Before you read...

▶ In this last chapter of Jonah we will learn why Jonah did not go to Nineveh the first time God told him to. We can learn a lot about how much God loves His people from the book of Jonah. He is willing to forgive even the most wicked people if they are willing to repent. Repent means to turn away from sin and turn toward Jesus.

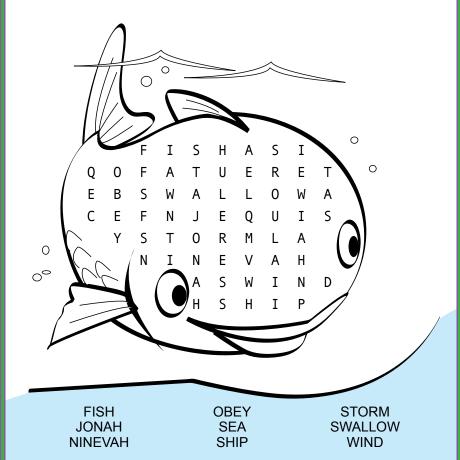


Read Jonah 4:1-4

What was Jonah's reason for running away to Tarshish?
Jonah lists some really great things about God in verse 2. Write the words he uses to describe God. They are words we should a remember about God.
Tell about a time when something good happened to someone who didn't deserve it. How did you feel?

Jonah and the Big Fish Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.

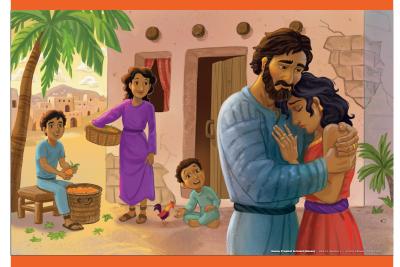


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UNIT 14: THE NORTHERN KINGDOM

Session 3: Hosea, Prophet to Israel Hosea



Sunday, October 19

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Memory Verse: Deuteronomy 13:4

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Before you read...

This week we will read about how God wanted to show His people a picture of how much He loved them and wanted to be with them, even though they had been unfaithful to Him. He spoke to His prophet Hosea, saying, "Go and marry a woman who will not be faithful to you, and be committed to her."



Read Hosea I:1-3

what kings were in charge when Hosea was a prophet?
What did God instruct Hosea to do?
Tell about a time when someone did not keep their promise to you.

Tuesday, October 21



Before you read...

- This week we are reading about how God wanted to show His people a picture of how much He loved them and wanted to be with them, even though they had been unfaithful to Him.
- Hosea married Gomer like God instructed and Gomer was unfaithful and left their family, just like God said she would. Gomer's unfaithfulness to Hosea was like the Israelites' unfaithfulness to God.



Read Hosea 4:1-2

\	What did Hosea say there was not in the land? (3 things)
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\	What did Hosea say there was in the land? (5 things)
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	Do you think God will forgive the people for all of those sins?



Before you read...

- This week we are reading about how God wanted to show His people a picture of how much He loved them and wanted to be with them, even though they had been unfaithful to Him.
- Israel was unfaithful to God by cursing, lying, murdering, stealing, committing adultery, and not acknowledging God! That's a bad list!! It actually continues.



Read Hosea II:1-2

When God called Israel, did they come closer or go away from Him?
What sin did they commit?
How many gods are there? (Hint: this was our big picture question in Unit 13)

Thursday, October 23



Before you read...

- This week we are reading about how God wanted to show His people a picture of how much He loved them and wanted to be with them, even though they had been unfaithful to Him.
- Israel was also unfaithful to God by worshipping false gods. There is only one true God who deserves all worship! Today we will return to Hosea and Gomer to see what God tells Hosea to do.



Read Hosea 3:1

-	How was Hosea supposed to love Gomer?
	Hosea showed faithfulness to Gomer, even though she was infaithful to him. God shows faithfulness to his people, even hough we are not faithful to Him. How has God shown aithfulness to you, even when you have sinned?

Friday, October 24

SESSION 3



Before you read...

- This week we are reading about how God wanted to show His people a picture of how much He loved them and wanted to be with them, even though they had been unfaithful to Him.
- God is so compassionate and forgiving! Let's read what he will do for His people when they repent of their sins.

Read Hosea 14:4-7
How will God love His people?
What words would you use to describe the life that Hosea describes in these verses?
Like Israel and Gomer, we are all unfaithful to God. We sin and go astray. But God is faithful to save all sinners who repent and trust in who??

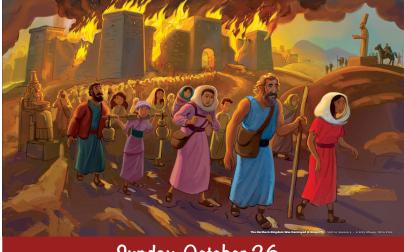
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USE YOUR BIBLE...

What book comes before Hosea?
What book comes after Hosea?
How many chapters are in Hosea?
Who is Hosea's father in Chapter 1?
What is Hosea's wife's name?
What is Hosea's 1st son's name?
What is Hosea's daughter's name?
What is Hosea's 2nd son's name?
At the beginning of Chapter 14, where is Israel supposed to return to?
How many verses are in Chapter 14?

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Session 4: The Northern Kingdom was Destroyed 2 Kings 17



Sunday, October 26

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Memory Verse: Deuteronomy 13:4

"You must follow the Lord your God and fear him. You must keep his commands and listen to him; you must worship him and remain faithful to him."



Before you read...

- As we have learned, God sent prophets to His people warning them over and over again of their sin. But the nation of Israel did not repent; they continued to worship idols and rebel against God.
- Therefore, God needed to judge Israel's sin and Assyria destroyed the Northern Kingdom.



Read 2 Kings 17:1-6

\	Who was the last king of Israel and how long did he reign?
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- \	Was he a good king or an evil king?
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١,	What happened to the Israelites?
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Tuesday, October 28

SESSION 4



Before you read...

As we have learned, God sent prophets to His people warning them over and over again of their sin. But the nation of Israel did not repent; they continued to worship idols and rebel against God. Therefore, God needed to judge Israel's sin and Assyria destroyed the Northern Kingdom.



Read 2 Kings 17:7-13

List 3 of the sins Israel committed.	
Did anyone warn Israel about their behavior?	Who?



Before you read...

As we have learned, God sent prophets to His people warning them over and over again of their sin. But the nation of Israel did not repent; they continued to worship idols and rebel against God. Therefore, God needed to judge Israel's sin and Assyria destroyed the Northern Kingdom.



Read 2 Kings 17:14-15

Who did the Israelites reject?
Who did the Israelites follow?
Share about a time you followed someone besides God.



Before you read...

As we have learned, God sent prophets to His people warning them over and over again of their sin. But the nation of Israel did not repent; they continued to worship idols and rebel against God. Therefore, God needed to judge Israel's sin and Assyria destroyed the Northern Kingdom.



Read 2 Kings 17:16-17

More sins!! These are going to be deeper thinking questions. Why must God punish sin?
What is the punishment of sin? (Look at Romans 6:23 for help.)
Do we have to die for our sins? Why or why not?

Friday, October 31



Before you read...

As we have learned, God sent prophets to His people warning them over and over again of their sin. But the nation of Israel did not repent; they continued to worship idols and rebel against God. Therefore, God needed to judge Israel's sin and Assyria destroyed the Northern Kingdom.

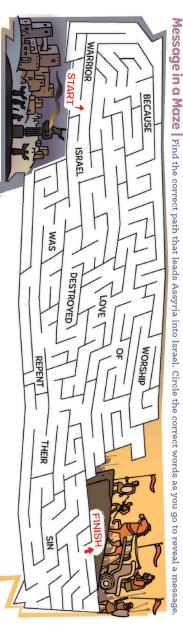


Read 2 Kings 17:18-23

How did God feel about Israel's sin?
How many people did God reject?
Do you know the rest of the story? Did God's punishment last
forever? Why or why not?

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7. The nation of . 5. The people Message in a Maze | Find the correct path that leads Assyria into Israel. Circle the correct words as you go to reveal a message.



Captivity Crossword | Complete the crossword puzzle using the clues and word bank

ACROSS

- _brought the Israelites out of the land of Egypt.
- 8. Those who trust in_ was the last king of Israel will never be removed from
- 9. God removed Israel from His_

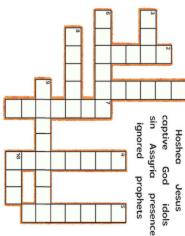
God's presence

10. The nation of Israel was destroyed because of their

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- 1. The people of Israel were taken. to Assyria
- Israel worshiped worthless.
- 4. God warned His people about their sin through the

destroyed Israel.	God's warnings.	



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