



Week

8

## Preparing to Teach

Elisha told the widow lady to do a very strange thing—collect all the jars she could from her neighbors. She could have asked why and demanded to know all of the details, but instead, in faith, she obeyed.

Many times God asks us to do something that may seem strange to us. We would like to know why and how it will turn out if we do what has been asked of us. Instead, God wants immediate obedience. When we obey, He blesses us in ways we would never have imagined.

- **Scripture to read**  
2 Kings 4:1–7
- **Goal for lesson**  
Children will know that we should show our friends that we care about them.
- **Class memory verse**  
“*Thou God seest me.*”  
—Genesis 16:13

**Note:** Be sure to read pp. 6–9 for teaching songs, memory verses, Bible lessons, and other elements of the class time.

## Preparing Lesson Materials (marked in bold)

- for **Arrival**
- Tear out **Activity Book**, p. 29. Write names on back. Have **activity sheet stickers** ready. (See center insert of Activity Book.)
  - Have activity sheets and craft materials (**crayons, scissors, and stickers**) on tables.
  - Have **attendance stickers** ready (center insert of Activity Book).

- for **Songs**
- If possible, practice singing with the CD.  
*Jesus Bids Us Shine* p. 19, track #9  
*He's So Great* p. 16, track #7  
*Whisper a Prayer* p. 45, track #21  
*Little Children Pray* p. 25, track #13  
*God Made Me* p. 12, track #6

- for **Review Lesson**
- Review **David and Goliath** from last week's Bible lesson:  
(*I Love God's Word Bible Flash-a-Cards LW 28–31*).

- for **Memory Verse**
- Have **Verse Card 4** ready.

- for **Bible Truth**
- Have **Bible Truth questions** ready (from inside back cover of Teacher Guide).

- for **Bible Lesson**
- Study and practice telling with **Flash-a-Cards** several times:  
**Elisha Helps a Widow Lady** (*I Love God's Word Bible Flash-a-Cards*).  
(*Optional: I Love God's Word Wk 8, DVD Bible lesson*) **Optional:** Bring several pots of different sizes.

- for **Craft**
- See p. 29, **Activity Book**. Make a sample for children to see.

- for **Dismissal**
- Write names on and have Week 8 **Take-Home papers** ready to distribute.



# Sunday at a Glance

## We arrive 10 min

Greet children, collect offering, and have children put sticker on attendance chart. Show them where to sit, and have them color their Take-Home paper. Collect papers to hand out at dismissal time.

## We begin 1 min

Welcome children; recognize birthdays and visitors.

## We sing 2–3 min

“Jesus Bids Us Shine” p. 19 track #9

“He’s So Great” p. 16 track #7

## Teaching Tips

Pass out flashcards out of order and have children come to front and stand holding cards. Then choose a child to arrange cards in correct story order.

## We review God’s Word *David and Goliath* 4–5 min

## We learn God’s Word Memory Verse; 3–4 min

Genesis 16:13 “**Thou God seest me.**” Genesis 16:13

Use your visuals to review all other verses learned throughout quarter.

## We sing 1–2 min

“Whisper a Prayer” p. 45 vv. 1–2 track #21

## We pray 3–4 min Two children \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and teacher pray.

As you pray each Sunday, you are teaching children that God is interested in their prayers. Remember to share answers to prayer with children.

## We learn Bible truth questions 8–15 (review). 2 min

## We sing 1–2 min

“Little Children Pray” p. 25 track #13

## We listen to God’s Word Bible Lesson; 10–12 min

*Elisha Helps a Widow Lady* End lesson with prayer.

Use your pots as you tell story to illustrate jars the boys may have found. Keep jars for next week’s review.

## We talk about the story 1–2 min

1. What prophet helped the widow lady? *Elisha*
2. What did the widow lady pour into the pots she borrowed? *oil*
3. Who had done a miracle? *God; He answered her prayer.*

## We sing 1–2 min

“God Made Me” p. 12 track #6

## We make a craft 8–10 min

Activity Book p. 29

**Dismissal** Distribute the Take-Home papers. Encourage children to have an adult or older sibling read their paper to them.