

ELISHA AND THE SHUNAMMITE FAMILY

BABY/ TODDLER LESSON

BIBLE POINT:

God wants us to share with others.

BIBLE VERSE:

"Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Psalm 124:8

SCHEDULE

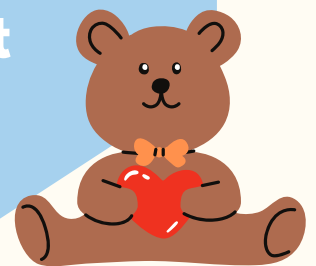
Activity

Prayer

Worship

Bible Story

Craft



ACTIVITY:

Talk to your child about the Bible. Talk about how it is God's Word. We read it so we can learn about God and what God wants us to do. God wants us to share with others.

Have your child help you with setting the dinner table. (You could also setup a dramatic play with play food and setup on the floor.)

Talk to your child about all the things you might need if a special guest came over. Examples: flowers, a special dessert. We would probably take out our favorite plates and special silverware. You could also have them setup their room to prepare for a special guest. Have them take out their favorite stuffed animals, toys, blanket to make their guest feel welcomed.

PRAYER:

It is so important that you pray with your baby/toddler. Pray for your child's salvation. Demonstrate how to pray, folding your hands, bowing your head. Teaching prayer begins during infancy. You may pray yourself or use the following prayer.

Prayer: "Dear God, thank you for this day. Help us to care for others and share. We love you and pray these things. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."

WORSHIP:

Sing "Love One Another".

Click link below to watch and sing along.

→ <https://youtu.be/LYlkcoAfLU4> ←

While singing with your baby/toddler, rock them back and forth and interact with them. Let them learn that singing songs about the Lord is a wonderful sweet way to learn about God and bond with you.



BIBLE STORY:

Hold up the Bible, "**This is the Bible. We love our Bible. It is the Word of God. The Bible is truth.**" Hug the Bible to your chest. "**Let's pat our Bible.**" Take the baby/toddler's hand and have them pat the Bible. Read the story with enthusiasm to capture their attention.

Babies and Toddlers:

Hold up the teaching picture attached to this lesson or read the story from a Children's Bible. Story comes from 2 Kings 4

"Thank you for inviting me to dinner, Elisha said to the Shunammite woman. 'I always enjoy your home when I come to Shunem, but now I must be on the way.' Elisha waved as he went down the road.

'The man of God needs a place to stay when he travels through our town,' the woman said to her husband. 'Let's build a little room for him up on the roof,' her husband agreed. 'We will put a bed in it. We will put a table, a chair, and a lamp in it. He can stay there whenever he comes to visit.' When Elisha came again, the room was ready.

CONTINUED BIBLE STORY:

Elisha was so happy to have a place to stay when he visited. The Shunammite woman did a very kind deed. God wants us to be kind and help others just like the Shunammite family did.

TIME TO TALK:

As you change diapers, wash hands, rock, play with, and console your baby/toddler take time to talk about the Bible story.

AFFIRMING STATEMENTS:

GOD WANTS US TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER
WE CAN BE KIND AND DO NICE THINGS
GOD LOVES US SO MUCH

TEACHING PICTURES



CRAFT:

Craft is attached. For this craft, talk to your child about the lesson. Talk about how God wants us to share and help others. Children will make a house with provided shape pieces. Once your child is done adding the shapes to make the house, write “God Wants Us to Help Others” at the top. Talk to your child about ways we can help others and end in prayer.

