

WEEK 2

PRESCHOOL LESSON GUIDE

FAMOUS

THE BIG IDEA

When we feel alone,
God gives us friends.

THE BIBLE

Adonijah Tries to Become King:
I Kings 1:5-14; 29-35

MEMORY VERSE | I Corinthians 10:31 (NIV)

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

WELCOME TIME

- Welcome to another week of *Famous!* Today, we are going to follow the story of two members of the royal family fighting for the throne. We'll get to see how God worked it all out so that the right person was chosen to be the next king of Israel.
- David and his family members were very famous. Well, of course they were — they were the royal family! I'm sure everyone knew who they were everywhere they went.

TEACHING TIME

BIBLE STORY | Adonijah Tries to Become King

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Tell the Bible story from I Kings 1:5-14; 29-35.*
- This is the story of what happened to the family of King David.
 - David spent many years as king, but as he got older, he knew it was time for his son to take his place as king. He wanted Solomon to be the next king. *[Take the crown from "David" and start moving to "Solomon," but pause.]*
 - But wait! Before David could tell everyone the plan, David's other son, Adonijah, tried to take over! *[Put the crown on "Adonijah's" head]*
 - Adonijah started telling everyone that he was going to be king instead. He threw himself a party and invited almost everyone in the kingdom!
- Oh, no! What were they going to do?
 - Nathan, once again had some wise words for the royal family. Remember last week? He was the one who pointed out to David the big mistake David made?
 - Nathan knew that David wanted Solomon to become king. So, Nathan urged the queen, Solomon's mother, to let David know what was going on.

- Once David heard what Adonijah had done, David told Nathan to put Solomon on a mule and parade him throughout the kingdom, announcing Solomon as the true king. *[Have "Nathan" take the crown from "Adonijah" and place it on "Solomon."]*
- Nathan was a good friend to King David and he made sure that the royal family did what God had planned for them!

VIDEO | Famous, Episode 2

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Play this week's episode of [Cali's World](#).*

DISCUSSION TIME

SNACK | Taste Buds

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *To follow the lesson's theme of friendship, pick a snack that goes well together. You could do carrots and ranch, cookies and milk, mac and cheese, or something similar.*
- What are some other foods that go well together?
- Can you remember the name of the man who was not a friend to David or Solomon? Right, his name was Adonijah.
- What was the name of the person who was a very good friend to King David? Nathan was the name of David and Solomon's friend.
- How did this person help David? Nathan made sure that Solomon became the next king.

PRAYER

- Dear God, thank you for giving us friends to play with, to share with, and who make us feel better whenever we are feeling sad or alone. Thank you for being the best friend of them all, and for always being there for us. Amen.