

Lesson 110

Unit Review

A review of Lessons 101–109.

Studying God's Word

Lesson Time

Don't forget! Review the Optional Supplements and determine where you can use them.

Have the students assemble in a circle away from the tables—either on the floor or in their chairs.

Bring your stuffed animal, Bible, Flip Chart, and any items you prepared for this lesson.

Prayer

This prayer time is designed to help the students begin to understand some simple concepts about prayer and to encourage them to pray.

We start our Bible lesson with prayer. Turn to the Flip Chart Prayer Page. Briefly review the different types of prayer presented there.

Today let's say prayers of confession and tell God we're sorry for our sins.

I'll start. Dear God, I'm sorry for . . . (insert personal prayer here).

Pass a special stuffed animal—prayer bear—around the circle, giving all the students an opportunity to pray, or choose a volunteer to stand beside you and pray.

Very good! Now let's put our stuffed animal away, and we'll answer our Bible Truth questions.

I love you prayers—Adoration
I'm sorry prayers—Confession
I'm thankful prayers—Thanksgiving
Please prayers—Supplication

Bible Truths

These four questions will be repeated each week to help the students learn foundational truths.

Because God is just, what must he do when we sin? He must punish us.
What word means God may not punish us as we deserve? Mercy.
Can we trust God all the time? Yes, because he is faithful.
What word means God knows all things? Omniscient.

Pre-K Lesson

K-1st Lesson

Pre-K Lesson

Refer to the Exodus to Malachi Timeline. We've been learning about the kingdom of Judah. A few of the kings there were good kings, but many of them did not follow the Lord.

Lesson 101

Refer to Lesson 101 Flip Chart. We learned how King Joash started out well. God protected Joash from his evil grandmother Athaliah, who wanted to rule over Judah. Joash's aunt rescued him and hid him in the temple. Jehoiada, the priest, taught Joash about the Lord and crowned him as king when he was only seven years old!

Joash was a good king and obeyed God's laws. But after Jehoiada died, Joash began to worship false gods and idols. Sadly, Joash turned from God at the end of his life.

Lesson 102

Refer to Lesson 102 Flip Chart. King Hezekiah was a very good king. He trusted and obeyed God so much that there was no other king like him in Judah.

One day, Sennacherib, the king of the Assyrians, sent his army to Jerusalem. A special servant brought a message to King Hezekiah and his people. He said that they could not trust in God to save them from the powerful Assyrians.

King Hezekiah knew they needed God's help. He tore his clothes and put on sackcloth to show his sorrow then prayed to God. God's prophet Isaiah said not to be afraid because God would help them.

When Sennacherib sent a letter saying he would destroy Jerusalem, Hezekiah went straight to the temple and spread out the letter and prayed. He praised God and asked him for help. That night, the angel of the Lord struck down 185,000 Assyrian soldiers, and the enemy had to leave just like God had promised.

There Is One God

Let's sing about our great God. Review the words and sing the song together.

Lesson 103

Lyrics can be found on the Flip Chart Song Time Lyrics Page (PDF) and the Song Sheet at the end of this lesson.

In this lesson, we talked about forecasts and prophecies. When someone gives a forecast about the weather, they tell what they think will happen—and they can be wrong.

But when the prophets wrote about what would happen later, God told them what to say, so their prophecies were always right.

The prophets Micah and Isaiah wrote about a ruler who would come to save us from our sins. These prophecies happened about 700 years later when Jesus was born and then when he died.

Refer to Lesson 103 Flip Chart. Micah wrote that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem and that he would be eternal with no beginning and no end.

Isaiah said Jesus' mother would be a virgin. Her name was Mary. Isaiah also wrote how Jesus would go to die on the cross like a harmless lamb being led along without fighting. Jesus knew God's plan for him was to die to save sinners. But he also knew he would rise again and be our Ruler forever!

Lesson 104

Refer to Lesson 104 Flip Chart. In this lesson, we learned about another good king named Josiah. He decided to follow the Lord when he was young. Josiah wanted to please God, so he destroyed all the idols in the land, cleaned out the temple, and fixed it up.

A priest found the Book of the Law that had been lost for many years. When it was read to Josiah, he showed great sadness because he knew his people had turned from God.

A prophet told Josiah that the people of Judah would be punished for their sins. But since Josiah had been so sad about it, God promised to wait until after he died before sending the punishment.

Josiah cared about his people, so he gathered everyone together and read the Book of the Law to them. Then they all made a promise to follow the Lord and keep his commandments. Josiah was faithful to God his whole life, and the people followed God as long as King Josiah lived.

Lesson 105

Sadly, the kings after Josiah were wicked. They led the people away from the Lord again.

Refer to Lesson 105 Flip Chart. God sent prophets to tell the people to turn back to him. We learned about one of these prophets named Jeremiah.

When God sent Jeremiah to the potter's house, what was the potter doing? He was making a vessel out of clay.

When the clay got messed up, what did the potter do with it? He squashed it and started over.

God said he was like the potter, and the people of Judah were like the messed-up clay that the potter squashed. The people needed to turn away from their sin so God would not have to destroy them.

People often call Jeremiah "the weeping prophet." He wept, or cried, because the people would not listen and turn back to God. They didn't like Jeremiah's message, so they were mean to him. But Jeremiah knew that

God would send an enemy to capture the people and take them away. All these things made Jeremiah very sad, and he wept over them.

Lesson 106

God finally brought the Babylonians to attack the kingdom of Judah because the people would not turn from their sins. Jeremiah warned the people that the Babylonians would come to Jerusalem where the king lived and burn down the city.

Refer to Lesson 106 Flip Chart. Instead of listening to Jeremiah, the people were mean to him. They lied about him and put him in prison. Later, they put Jeremiah into a muddy cistern. A servant named Ebed-melech knew it was wrong to punish Jeremiah this way. So, he used some ropes, old clothes, and rags to pull Jeremiah out of the mud in the deep pit.

Finally, King Nebuchadnezzar and his Babylonian army attacked Jerusalem and killed many people. They stole all the beautiful treasures from the temple and set it on fire! Many of the people who didn't die were taken away to Babylon. But God kept Jeremiah safe. He stayed in Judah and faithfully spoke God's messages for the rest of his life.

Lesson 107

Refer to Lesson 107 Flip Chart. Next, we learned about four young men who had been taken to Babylon. Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah were chosen to be servants to King Nebuchadnezzar.

The king wanted them to forget about their home and about God, so he gave them Babylonian names: Belteshazzar, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

The king also wanted them to eat rich food and wine. But these four young men would not eat this food because they wanted to be obedient to God.

What did Daniel ask to eat and drink as a test instead of the king's food and wine? Vegetables and water.

After the test, Daniel and his three friends looked better than the others who ate the king's rich foods. So they were allowed to continue eating this way.

God rewarded their obedience by giving them great knowledge, skill, and wisdom. And all four men became important servants of the king.

Lesson 108

Refer to Lesson 108 Flip Chart. In this lesson, King Nebuchadnezzar set up a golden statue for all the people to worship. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego would not bow to the statue because they did not want to worship an idol.

Some jealous men told the king about the three friends, and they were thrown into a fiery furnace as punishment. But God protected them from the fire. When

the three men came out of the furnace, they were not harmed at all. This was an amazing miracle!

Nebuchadnezzar saw God's great power when these men were saved. But he still thought he was a great and powerful king. So God warned him in a dream that he would be punished for his sinful pride and live like an animal in the fields.

The king did not change his ways, so sure enough, he became like an animal eating grass in the field for seven years until he finally understood that only God is in complete control of everything.

Lesson 109

The next king, Belshazzar, was also very proud. During a feast, he and his guests drank wine from cups made special for worshipping God. This displeased God, so he would show that he was in control over everything and everyone.

How did God send Belshazzar a message? He sent a human hand to write on the wall.

Refer to Lesson 109 Flip Chart. Belshazzar was scared by the handwriting on the wall. Daniel explained what the message meant: Belshazzar had not lived as he should have and would be punished, and his kingdom would end. Later that night, Belshazzar was killed, and a new king named Darius took over.

While Daniel served King Darius, some of the leaders became jealous. They tricked Darius into making a new law that everyone must pray only to the king.

What would happen if someone prayed to God? He would be thrown into the lions' den.

When Daniel chose to pray to God, the jealous leaders told the king, and Daniel was thrown into the lions' den. The next morning, King Darius rushed to see if Daniel was safe.

Was he safe? What did God do? He sent an angel and shut the lions' mouths.

Because Daniel had trusted God, he came out of the den without a scratch. And King Darius believed Daniel's God was the true God.

Trust in God

Let's sing about trusting God. Review the words then sing the song together.

Continue with the Review Game below.

K-1st Lesson

Refer to the Exodus to Malachi Timeline as you review people and events.

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Lesson 101

Refer to Lesson 101 Flip Chart We learned how King Joash started out well. God protected Joash from his evil grandmother Athaliah, who wanted to rule over Judah. Joash's aunt rescued him and hid him in the temple. Jehoiada, the priest, taught Joash about the Lord. Then Joash became king when he was only seven years old! He was a good king and obeyed God's laws.

But what happened after Jehoiada the priest died? How did Joash change? Joash turned from the Lord and worshipped idols.

After Jehoiada died, Joash listened to people who didn't love God, and they led him to worship false gods and idols. Sadly, Joash turned from the Lord at the end of his life, and now he is remembered for the evil things he did instead of the good things.

Lesson 102

Refer to Lesson 102 Flip Chart. Next, we learned about King Hezekiah.

Did King Hezekiah do what was right or what was wrong? Right.

Hezekiah trusted and obeyed God so much that there was no other king like him in Judah.

One day, Sennacherib, king of the Assyrians, sent his army to Jerusalem. A special servant called the Rabshakeh brought a message for the people of Judah. He told King Hezekiah and his people that they could not trust in God to save them from the king of Assyria. This message was very scary—the Assyrians were a powerful enemy who were mean and cruel.

King Hezekiah knew they needed God's help. He tore his clothes and put on sackcloth to show his sorrow then prayed to the Lord. God's prophet Isaiah told Hezekiah that the people did not need to be afraid because God would help them.

But then King Sennacherib sent a letter saying he would destroy Jerusalem. Again, Hezekiah went straight to the temple and spread out the letter and prayed. First, he praised God then he asked God for help. That night, the angel of the Lord struck down 185,000 Assyrian soldiers, causing King Sennacherib to leave and go home, just like God had promised.

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We looked at some prophecies Micah and Isaiah wrote about a ruler who would come to save us from our sins. We saw in the New Testament how these prophecies happened about 700 years later when Jesus was born and then when he died.

Refer to Lesson 103 Flip Chart. Micah wrote that the ruler would be born in Bethlehem and that he would have no beginning and no end; he is eternal. Because Jesus is God, he is eternal, too.

Isaiah said there would be a special baby boy whose mother would be a virgin. Jesus was born to a virgin named Mary.

Isaiah also wrote about Jesus' death on a cross and how he would die willingly. Like a harmless lamb being led along, Jesus let the people lead him to his death without fighting or arguing. Jesus knew God's plan for him was to die to save sinners. But he also knew he would rise again and be our Ruler forever!

Lesson 104

Refer to Lesson 104 Flip Chart. In this lesson, we learned about another good king, named Josiah. He decided to follow the Lord when he was young. Josiah wanted to please God, so he destroyed all the idols in the land, cleaned out the temple, and fixed it up so the people could worship God in the right way again.

As the temple was being cleaned out, a priest found something important that had been lost for many years. What was it? The Book of the Law.

When the Book of the Law was read to Josiah, he showed great sadness because he knew his people had turned from God. A woman prophet told Josiah that the people of Judah would be punished for their sins. But since Josiah had been so sad about it, God promised to show mercy to him and wait until after he died before sending the punishment.

Josiah cared about his people and wanted them to hear God's Word just as he had. So, he gathered everyone together and read the Book of the Law to them. Then he and all the people made a promise to follow the Lord and keep his commandments. Josiah was faithful to God his whole life, and the people followed God as long as King Josiah lived.

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God said he was like the potter, and the people of Judah were like the messed-up clay that the potter squashed. This was the message to the people. They needed to turn away from their sin so God would not have to destroy them.

Did the people listen to Jeremiah's message? No!

People often call Jeremiah "the weeping prophet." He wept, or cried, because the people would not turn back to God. Instead, they punished Jeremiah because they didn't like to be told that they were wrong. But Jeremiah knew that God would send a disaster on Judah. An enemy would come and capture the people and take them away from their land. All these things made Jeremiah very sad, and he cried and wept over them.

Lesson 106

Refer to Lesson 106 Flip Chart. God finally brought the Babylonians to attack the kingdom of Judah because the people would not turn from their sins. Jeremiah warned the people in Jerusalem, where the king lived, that the Babylonians would attack the city and burn it down.

Instead of listening to Jeremiah's message, the people were mean to Jeremiah. They lied about him and put him in prison. Then later, they put Jeremiah into a muddy cistern. A servant named Ebed-melech knew it was wrong for Jeremiah to be punished this way. So, he used some ropes and old clothes and rags to pull Jeremiah out of the mud in the deep pit.

Finally, King Nebuchadnezzar and his Babylonian army attacked the city of Jerusalem, killing many people—young and old. They broke into the temple and stole all the beautiful treasures. Then they set fire to the temple and the king's palace and broke down the wall around the city. Many of the people who didn't die were taken away to Babylon.

But God made sure Jeremiah was safe. He got to choose if he wanted to go with the people to Babylon or stay with those left in Judah. Jeremiah decided to stay, and he faithfully spoke God's messages for the rest of his life.

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The king wanted them to forget about their home and about God, so he gave them Babylonian names: Belteshazzar, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These new names all had something to do with false gods of Babylon!

The king also wanted them to eat special food. But these four young men would not eat the food from the king's table because they wanted to be obedient to God.

What did Daniel ask to eat and drink as a test instead of the king's rich food and wine? Only vegetables and water.

How did Daniel and his friends look after 10 days of eating only vegetables and drinking only water? They looked healthier than those who ate the rich food and drank the wine.

After the test, Daniel and his three friends looked better than the others who ate the king's rich foods. So they were allowed to continue eating this way. God rewarded their obedience by giving them great knowledge, skill, and wisdom. Daniel was also given the special gift of understanding dreams. All four men became important servants of the king.

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Some jealous men told the king about the three friends, and they faced a scary punishment when they were thrown into a fiery furnace. But God protected them from the fire. He sent a fourth man—an angel or the Son of God (Jesus)—to be with them.

When the three came out of the furnace, they were not harmed at all. They didn't even smell like smoke. This was an amazing miracle!

King Nebuchadnezzar saw God's great power when these men were saved. But he was still prideful and thought he was a great and powerful king. So God gave him a scary dream about a tall tree that was chopped down.

The dream was a warning that meant Nebuchadnezzar would be punished for his sinful pride by living like an animal in the fields. Nebuchadnezzar did not change his ways though, and he did become like an animal and ate grass for seven years. When he finally understood that God is sovereign (in control) over everything and everyone, God gave the kingdom back to him.

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Later that night, Belshazzar was killed, and a new king named Darius took over. Once again, God showed that he is sovereign (in control) over everything.

While Daniel served King Darius, some of the leaders became jealous and set up a trap. They tricked Darius into making a new law that everyone must pray only to the king and to no other god.

What would be the punishment if someone prayed to God? He would be thrown into the lions' den.

Daniel chose to obey God and pray only to him. The jealous leaders spied on Daniel as he prayed then told the king that he was breaking the new law. So Daniel was thrown into the lions' den. But the next morning, the king rushed to see if Daniel's God had kept him safe.

Was Daniel safe? What did God do? He sent an angel and shut the lions' mouths.

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Lesson Review

We encourage you to play the following review game.

Game—Bible Baseball

Materials

Review Questions

Three chairs or other appropriate items for bases

Optional: gift wrap tube and a large balloon to use as a ball and bat

Instructions

Print one copy of the Review Questions. Set out chairs as bases. Have the students line up by the home base area facing you (at the pitcher's mound). Each student "up to bat" will have a chance to answer a review question. If he can answer it correctly, let him run the bases. If he can't answer correctly, give the answer and ask him to go to the end of the line and try again.

You may want the students to sit on the chair at each base while they wait to run to the next base or have them run all the way around and return to the line. Repeat the questions until all the students have run around the bases.

Option: For some added fun, you can use a gift wrap tube as a bat and toss a large balloon for students to hit after they answer each question.

Puppet Review

Use puppets to act out the Puppet Review Script. The script is written for two puppets and the teacher. You may want to recruit helpers for the puppets.

Boys and girls, I'd like to introduce some friends of mine. They heard that we've been learning all kinds of wonderful things from the Bible.

Here they are, (Puppet One and Puppet Two). Introduce their names and have them greet the students then continue with the Puppet Review Script.

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