Lesson 80

Unit Review

A review of Lessons 71-79.

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.

Who should we worship? The one true God. When can we trust God? All the time. What should we do if we love God? Obey him.

What word means God does everything perfectly without mistakes? Wise.

K-1st Lesson continues next.

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Lesson 71

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Refer to the Exodus to Malachi Timeline as you review.

Refer to Lesson 71 Flip Chart. The Israelites were living in a cycle of sin. They would sin by worshipping false gods, then God would send enemies to punish them. But when the people called out to him for help, God would send a judge to fight for them.

In this lesson, we learned about a judge named Gideon who led the fight against the enormous Midianite army. At first, Gideon had an army of 32,000 men, but God didn't want them to think they could win all by themselves without him. So, he made the army smaller and smaller until there were only 300 men left.

When it was time to attack the enemy, each of Gideon's men carried three things. Do you remember what they carried? Torches, jars, and trumpets.

At night, Gideon and his men surrounded the Midianite camp. They smashed their jars, raised their torches, and blew their trumpets, and with God's help, Gideon won the battle!

Lesson 72

Refer to Lesson 72 Flip Chart. The next judge we talked about was given great strength from God. What was his name? Samson.

Right! Samson was chosen by God to fight against the enemy Philistines. God wanted Samson to follow some rules, like never cutting his hair, to show that God had set him apart for this special purpose.

Samson did many things with his great strength. Once when a lion attacked, he tore the lion to pieces with his bare hands! But Samson sinned by letting a woman named Delilah become more important to him than God. Samson told Delilah the secret of his strength, and she had someone shave his hair off. Then God took Samson's strength away. Samson was captured, blinded, and put in prison.

Later, when Samson was brought before a large crowd of Philistines, he prayed for strength one more time. God answered his prayer, and Samson pushed down the pillars that held up the building they were in, killing thousands of enemy Philistines!

Lesson 73

Refer to Lesson 73 Flip Chart. In this lesson, we learned about a woman named Ruth who stayed with her mother-in-law, Naomi, and helped take

care of her. Ruth and Naomi were in trouble because they had no husbands to care for them. They were poor and needed food.

How did Ruth get food for them? She collected grain.

Who owned the field where Ruth got the grain? Boaz.

God led Ruth to work in Boaz's field. It turned out that Boaz was their redeemer. He was able to buy Naomi's land, marry Ruth, and take care of both women.

Boaz is like a picture of Jesus. Jesus is our Redeemer because he bought us back from sin when he died on the cross. Jesus took our punishment for sin and promises eternal life in heaven to all who trust in him.

Clean My Heart

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Jesus bought us back from sin so we could have clean hearts. Let's sing about that. Have students stand and stretch then sing the song together.

Lesson 74

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What was Samuel doing when God first spoke to him? Sleeping. When Samuel heard his name, who did he

think was calling him? Eli.

What did Samuel do three times? Ran to Eli's room.

Eli figured out it was God calling Samuel, and he told Samuel to say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant hears." When God called Samuel again, he told Samuel that Israel and Eli's family would be punished for their sin and wickedness. Even though it was hard for Samuel to tell Eli such bad news, he obeyed God and gave Eli the message.

Samuel continued to listen to God as he grew up. He became a prophet, a priest, and a judge, and God helped him in all he did.

Lesson 75

Refer to the Lesson 75 Flip Chart. In this lesson, we saw that the Israelites wanted a human king.

What was the name of the first king God chose? Saul.

God chose Saul, but Saul's heart was not right. He disobeyed God. When his army was running away in fear, Saul got worried and impatient and offered a sacrifice that only Samuel was supposed to do. Then when God commanded Saul and his army to totally destroy their enemies, the Amalekites, Saul kept the king and the best animals alive.

Saul made bad choices. He tried to do things his own way instead of obeying God completely. Now there would be consequences for his sin.

What is a consequence? When something bad happens because of a poor choice we made.

The consequences of Saul's sin included losing his kingdom and his friendship with Samuel. But worse than that, the Spirit of the Lord left Saul, and a harmful spirit was sent to trouble him.

Lesson 76

Refer to the Lesson 76 Flip Chart. Since Saul would lose his kingdom, God told the prophet

Samuel to anoint one of Jesse's sons to be the next king of Israel.

First, Samuel saw Eliab and thought he would be king because he was tall and strong. But Samuel was looking at the outward appearance and thought Eliab looked good on the outside.

But what did God say he looked at? The inside, the heart.

God said no to all seven sons who were there. Finally, Jesse's youngest son came, and God told Samuel to anoint him as the new king.

What was the name of this son? David.

God chose David to be the next king of Israel because David had a heart after God's. He loved God and wanted the same things God wanted.

God Looks at the Inside

Let's sing about how God looks at our hearts. Everyone stand up now. Sing the song together.

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What kind of instrument is a lyre like? Like a small harp.

David went back and forth from King Saul's court to his own home so he could care for his father's sheep and protect them from bears and lions with his sling.

When war broke out, David visited his brothers at the army camp. While he was there, David heard the giant Philistine champion shouting at the Israelites.

Who was the Philistine champion? Goliath.

Goliath made fun of God and the Israelites. But they were all too afraid to fight this giant with his heavy armor and weapons.

David wasn't afraid. He trusted God to help him win, so he faced Goliath with his sling and shepherd's staff. God made the stone fly from David's sling and hit the giant in the forehead, and down he fell! Then the Israelites chased the Philistines away, and the Israelites won!

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Refer to the Lesson 78 Flip Chart. David became best friends with Jonathan. Who was Jonathan's father? King Saul.

Both friends loved and trusted God. They were good friends and knew they could

count on each other. God used their friendship to protect David from King Saul. Why did David need protection from Saul? What did Saul think of David? He was very jealous of David.

When the harmful spirit came upon Saul, what did he do with his spear while David was playing the lyre? He threw it at David.

Right! Saul tried to kill David with his spear. The next time it happened, David had to run and hide from Saul. But he met up with Jonathan who told him to hide in the field until he could find out what Saul was up to.

When Jonathan found out his father did want to kill David, what did Jonathan do to secretly warn David? Pretended to practice shooting arrows in the field where David was hiding. His instructions to the boy collecting the arrows were really messages for David.

The two friends were very sad as they said goodbye. But David had to go; he was running for his life.

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What did David do? Pretended to be a crazy man.

There were times when David could have gotten revenge on Saul. When Saul came by himself into a cave, he didn't know David was hiding in there. David could have killed him but only cut off a piece of his robe. Later, David could have killed Saul when he sneaked into his camp. But once again, David chose not to.

What did David take from Saul's camp to show how close he had been without killing Saul? Spear and water jar.

Saul had tried to kill David many times for no reason. But David chose to show mercy and forgiveness instead of revenge. David wanted to obey God. He had a heart to do what was right, and he was waiting for God to make him king at the right time.

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Seven of Jesse's sons walked by Samuel, but God said no to all of them. Finally, Jesse sent for his youngest son, and God told Samuel to anoint him as the new king.

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After that, about 400 men came to join up with David. They stayed with him and helped him. Saul almost caught up to David again. While Saul and his army were on one

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We encourage you to play the following review game.

Bible Basketball

Materials

Review Questions

Three chairs or other appropriate items for bases

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

Instructions

Print one copy of the Review Questions for your use. 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.

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

Puppet Review

Use the 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. So they asked me if they could come and talk with us and see if we can answer some of their questions.

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

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