



BIG IDEA:

STEP FOUR, LEAVE THE RESULTS TO GOD

BIBLE: JEREMIAH







ACTIVITY

KITCHEN CREW

INSTRUCTIONS: Show this clip from "Ratatouille" (play until 0:50). Afterwards ask kids which job they would most like to have in the kitchen by answering, "Oui!" Then group kids together with others who answered like they did (consider combining categories if needed).

SPECIAL NEEDS HACK: Pause the video as each of the kitchen staff members are introduced so kids can point

them out better.

Pair a prop (or image) for each category to help them remember what each person does (e.g., chef hat for head chef, apron for sous chef, sauce bottle for saucier, plate for chef de partie, smaller plate for commis, rubber gloves for plongeur.)

Let's pretend that we are all hired to be on the kitchen staff of a French restaurant

BIBLE STORY

GOD PROMISES A SAVIOUR

Get plumped because it's time to tune in to the Bible story segment of The Plate It Cooking Show! Shall we get some more cooks in the kitchen? I need three sous chefs to help me with the "ingredients" for this Bible story.



INSTRUCTIONS: Prepare the Bible story scrolls by printing out the printable and rolling them up. Hide each scroll around the room before kids arrive. With the three sous chefs you picked, have each one find a scroll by playing "I Spy" (e.g., "The first ingredient I need is hidden behind something yellow."). Once all scrolls are found, tell today's story from Jeremiah 33:14–16 by having them each read from the scroll they found in order (if your volunteers are not readers, have them hold up the scroll while you read it for them).

Jeremiah was one of God's prophets, like Elijah and Samuel, who spoke for God to the people who needed to hear God's message. Earlier in Jeremiah's career, God's people, the Israelites, were disobeying God big time! Jeremiah was sent by God to warn them that God would destroy their nation. Did they listen? Salad-ly, they chose not to listen to God's warning, so in the end, they were taken over by another kingdom. In this Bible story, God's people are still being held captive, but now, Jeremiah has a hopeful message from God!

[Read verse 14 from the first scroll.]

De-Sprite the many times that the Israelites had messed up and disobeyed God, God loved them very much. God was going to enact the plan to save everyone.

[Read verse 15 from the second scroll.]

A long time ago, God had promised to send someone to save them. The first clue of this Savior's identity is that they would come from the family of King David. And he would do only what is right. You might already know who God is telling Jeremiah about, but let's read on.

[Read verse 16 from the third scroll.]

The prophet was also told that this person would save all the people! Do you know who this is, this "Lord, our Righteous Savior?" Yes, Jesus! God promised to send a Savior to save them from what was keeping them captive. No, he wouldn't just rescue them from a ruler from another land.



He would rescue the people from sin. We can sin by doing something we shouldn't, or by not doing something we should.

But no matter the type of sin, Jesus put an end to ALL sin and made it possible for us to have a direct relationship with God. The people didn't know it yet at the time, but God was already in the process of sending everyone the Savior we all need!

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INSTRUCTIONS: Prepare the Big Idea "plate" according to the instructions in your Shop & Prep list. Hold the "plate" as a server would hold a platter with one hand. With your other hand, remove the tablecloth by pinc,//hing it in the center and lifting it up quickly and dramatically.

It isn't just the Israelites who continuously disobeyed God. Humans, in general, mess up all the time! Thankfully, God had the end result in mind when God promised us a Savior. Let's say our Big Idea together. **Step four, leave the results to God!**



STORY

CHEF KNOWS BEST

INSTRUCTIONS: Share about a time when you watched someone you love, or a chef, make a meal that ended up tasting amazing. Talk about all the ingredients and how they prepared each one. Perhaps you got to help prepare the ingredients!

PRETEEN HACK: Set up a blender and a few random ingredients (e.g., fruits, vegetables, pastries, etc.) then have two volunteers come to the front. Ask either trivia questions or review questions about what they've been learning so far. Each time someone gets an answer wrong, have them blend in one of the items you've laid out. The person with the most incorrect answers has to take a sip of the final "smoothie" (or not, if they don't want to!). Talk about how this is the opposite of the way God does things!

It was so cool seeing all the different ingredients that went into this dish and how it was prepared. I would have never thought that putting all those foods and spices together would create something that tasted so good!

That's how it is with God, too. God already knows how everything fits together. The results are set! Jesus is our Savior, and Jesus has already defeated sin and death. It's because of this that, one day, we'll get to be with God forever. It's the sweetest dessert!



MEMORY VERSE

EPHESIANS 2:10 (NIV)

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."