Old Testament

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Through the Old Old Testament in Two Years

Part Two

Created for use with young, unchurched learners Adaptable for all ages including adults

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Isaiah's Commission

Previously, we learned that Ecclesiastes declares that everything has a time. We live and die as part of God's plan. There is a time to plant and build. God is the creator of all things. He wants us to live for Him.

Isaiah 6:1-13; 53:5-6

Read the Bible

READ: Isaiah 6:1-13 (Hold your Bible open throughout the story.)

Memory Verse

Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus' glory and spoke about him.

(John 12:41 NIrV)

Begin with Prayer

Today, we are learning about the book of Isaiah. Isaiah was written by a man named Isaiah who loved God. God talked to Isaiah and told him many things. He talked to the people through Isaiah. We are going to see several things about Isaiah and the things that God told His people.

In chapter 6, Isaiah describes seeing the Lord. "I saw the Lord. He was seated on His throne. His long robe filled the temple. He was highly honored." (Isaiah 6:1 NIrV)

Goals

- 1. Understand that Isaiah realized he was unclean.
- 2. Recognize that Isaiah heard God speaking.
- 3. Learn that Isaiah responded to God's call.
- 4. Understand that Isaiah obeyed God by giving the people His message.

Isaiah also saw the angels worshipping God. They were different from anything he had seen. He describes the angels. "Above him were seraphs. Each of them had six wings. With two wings they covered their faces. With two wings they covered their feet. And with two wings they were flying." (Isaiah 6:2 NIrV)

The angels worshipped God. Isaiah heard them "They were calling out to one another. They were saying, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord who rules over all. The whole earth is full of his glory.'" (Isaiah 6:3 NIrV)

Isaiah was afraid because he knew that he was unclean (had sin) because he had done wrong and did not deserve to see God. "My mouth speaks sinful words. And I live among people who speak sinful words," he said (Isaiah 6:5 NIrV) The Bible tells us that we have all sinned. (Romans 3:23) If we confess our sins, God will forgive us. (I John 1:9)

Isaiah said that an angel, a seraph, flew over him. The seraph was holding a hot coal. He touched Isaiah's mouth with the coal and said, "This has touched your lips. Your guilt has been taken away. Your sin has been paid for." The angel told Isaiah that he was clean now, and his sin was gone. (Isaiah 6:6-7)

Isaiah's Commission — Bible Facts

1. Isaiah was a prophet of God.

- 2. Isaiah saw the Lord.
- Isaiah responded, "Here am I. Send me."
- 4. Isaiah gave the people God's message.

Then Isaiah heard God talking. He was asking a question. God said, "Who will I send? Who will go for us?" (Isaiah 6:8 NIV)

Isaiah spoke up. "Here I am. Send me!" He told God that he would go and give the people God's message. Isaiah told God that he would do what God wanted. He became a prophet and did God's work. Isaiah told the people what God said. (Isaiah 6:8-13) God wants us to respond and obey to His call.

Isaiah 53:5-6 tells about what would happen to Jesus. Jesus died for all our sins. He took them on Himself when He died on the cross. The best part is that Jesus came back to life three days later.

Believe it or not, Isaiah shared these things 700 years before Jesus was born. Promises (or prophecies) like this gave hope to the people. They knew that God's Son would be coming.

Review

- 1. Who was Isaiah? (Isaiah was a prophet of God.)
- 2. What happened to Isaiah? (Isaiah saw the Lord.)
- 3. What did Isaiah say when God called? (Here am I. Send me.)
- **4. What did Isaiah do?** (Isaiah gave the people God's message.)

Do You Know Jesus?

God kept His promise to send His Son. Jesus did die for us. He lives now in Heaven with God. If we trust Jesus, we can be in Heaven with them, too! Jesus provided a way for us to have a personal relationship with God. (Romans 10:9-10) If you would like to know more, talk to your teacher about it.

Prayer Time

- 1. Take a moment to listen to God.
- 2. Thank God for sending Jesus.
- 3. Ask God to help you respond like Isaiah.
- 4. Pray for friends and family members who need to respond like Isaiah.

Application

When Isaiah saw the Lord, he realized he was unclean because of his sin. Then he heard God speaking, asking him to give the people God's message. Isaiah responded to God's call and was faithful to do what God asked him to do. God told Isaiah to prophesy about Jesus 700 years before Jesus was born. God wants us to be faithful to do what He asks us to do.

Planning for Next Week

Unto Us a Child is Born — Isaiah 9

Preschool Lesson

Read the Bible

READ: Isaiah 6:1-13 (Hold your Bible open throughout the story.)

Teachers: Isaiah followed God. Play "Follow the Leader."

A long, long, time ago there lived a man named Isaiah. Isaiah loved God very much. Isaiah listened to God and God told him many important things.

Isaiah heard God talking. He was asking a question. God said, "Who will I send? Who will go for us?" (Isaiah 6:8 NIV)

Isaiah spoke up. "Here I am. Send me!" He told God that he would go and give the people God's message.

Isaiah's job was to tell God's people what God said. God gave the people some important news. God promised to send someone very important to the world. Do you know who it was? Jesus!

Many years before Jesus was born, Isaiah told the people that Jesus would be born.

The people were so happy to know that one day, Jesus would come! God kept His promise. Many years later, Jesus was born, just as God said.

God loves us so much. Jesus loves us, too!

Sing "Jesus loves Me" and talk about how much God loves us.

Prayer Time

- Take a moment to listen to God.
- 2. Thank God for sending Jesus.
- 3. Ask God to help you respond like Isaiah.

Memory verse for younger children

Isaiah... saw Jesus' glory and spoke about him. John 12:41

Learning Activities

- •Memory verse activity Play the phone game to learn the verse. Whisper the verse in the ear of a child. Have them do the same. Have the last person tell what they heard. Now memorize the verse as it should be.
- •Test your memory Talk about Bible characters who saw God and heard God. (Abraham, Moses, Samuel, etc.) Focus on how Isaiah saw the Lord and heard God's call. Cut out a megaphone and write key phrases about Isaiah's experience. (Saw the Lord; Heard the Lord; Heard God's Call; Responded to God's Call)
- Taste activity Bring candy or gum that looks like coal.
- •Think about it Isaiah heard God's call and said, "Here am I. Send me." Talk about the importance of willingness to serve the Lord.

Isaiah gave the people God's message. Talk about the importance of obeying God.

Isaiah saw God's angels worshipping God. Talk about the importance of worshipping God.

•Touch activity — Bring candy that looks like coal. Arrange an area that looks like a bonfire using construction paper. Put the candy on the fire. Use tweezers like tongs to pick up the candy.

Make megaphones with construction paper or cardstock. Use the megaphones to tell the Good News.

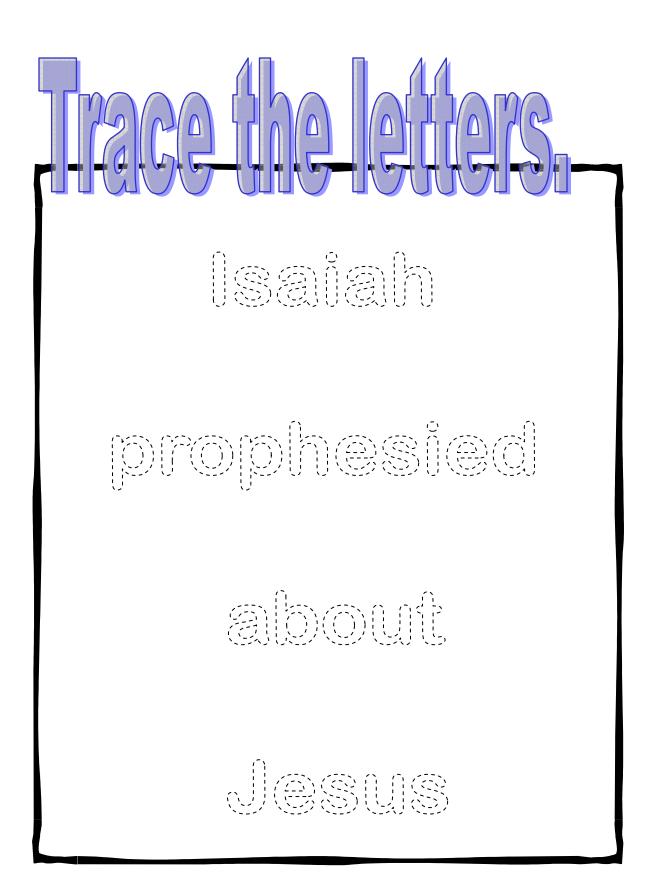
ullet Run and play — Let the children take turns pretending to be the angel who took the tongs and took coal from the fire with tongs.

Isaiah followed God. Play "Follow the Leader."

- •Listen As the children take time for silence, remind them that God wants us to respond to His call.
- •Sing Sing "Here Am I, Send Me Lord," "Where He Leads Me," or another song related to the story.
- •Reach out During class, pray (by name) for kids who did not come today. Ask the children to go with you to deliver the handouts to those who were absent. Take megaphones with key phrases and give them a quick review of the story. Pray with the children who were absent. Encourage them to read the story in the Bible.

Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus' glory and spoke about him. John 12:41

Word Puzzle



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