

Old Testament

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Through the Old Testament in Two Years

Part Two



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Adaptable for all ages including adults

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Servant Lord

Last week we learned that Isaiah's message was a message of hope. He tells Israel that God gives strength to the weak. Those who wait on God will receive new strength. The Bible teaches us that we can pray to God anytime.

Isaiah 42:1-9

Read the Bible

READ: Isaiah 42:1-9 (Hold your Bible open throughout the story.)

Memory Verse

A voice from heaven said,
This is my Son, and I love him.
I am very pleased with him.

Matthew 3:17 (NIRV)

Begin with Prayer

Isaiah 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. Isaiah told God that he would do what God wanted. He became a prophet and did God's work. He told the people what God said.

In Isaiah 42 Isaiah prophesies about Jesus, "Here is my servant. I take good care of him. I have chosen him. I am very pleased with him. I will put my Spirit on him. He will make everything right among the nations." Jesus, God's Son is the servant about who Isaiah prophesied. The Father sends His Son to be a servant. The Father, Creator of heaven and earth, sent His only Son to earth. He sent His Son not to be a king but a servant. Not to be honored and served but to serve.

The Father knew that His Son would be faithful and obedient. "He will be faithful and make everything right." (Isaiah 42:3 NIRV) Jesus pleased the Father. (Matthew 3:17; 17:5)

God said, "I will put my Spirit on Him." (Isaiah 42:2) When Matthews describes the baptism of Jesus, he says, "As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened. Jesus saw the Spirit of God coming down on him like a dove. (Matthew 3:16 NIRV)

Jesus was chosen by God. "He says to his servant, 'I, the Lord, have chosen you to do what is right.'" (Isaiah 42:5-6 NIRV)

Goals

1. Understand that Isaiah prophesied about Jesus.
2. Recognize that God chose Jesus to be a servant.
3. Learn that God knew that Jesus would be faithful and obedient.
4. Understand that Jesus pleased God.

Servant Lord — Bible Facts

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| 1. Isaiah prophesied about Jesus. | 2. God said, "Here is my servant." |
| 3. God said, "I have chosen you to do what is right." | 4. Jesus was sent to be the light of the world. |

Jesus was sent to be a light to the world. "And you will be a light for the other nations." It was a promise. Salvation would be made available to the Gentiles, to all people. (Isaiah 42:6 NIRV)

Jesus would come and perform miracles. "You will open eyes that can't see. You will set prisoners free. Those who sit in darkness will come out of their cells." (Isaiah 42:7 NIRV)

Since the time of Moses God had told Israel not to worship idols. (Exodus 20) Then God reminds Israel that He is a jealous God. "I am the Lord. That is my name! I will not let any other god share my glory. I will not let statues of gods share my praise." (Isaiah 42:8 NIRV)

He told the people of Israel that Jesus would come. God said, "What I said would happen has taken place. Now I announce new things to you. Before they even begin to happen, I announce them to you." (Isaiah 42:9 NIRV) Isaiah's message was a message of hope. We can have this hope too, because Jesus has come. God kept His promise to send His Son. Jesus did die for us.

Review

1. About whom did Isaiah prophecy? (Isaiah prophesied about Jesus.)
2. What did God say about Jesus? (God said, "Here is my servant.")
3. Why did God choose Jesus? (God said, "I have chosen you to do what is right.")
4. What else would Jesus do? (Jesus was sent to be the light of the world.)

Do You Know Jesus?

We can have this hope too, because Jesus has come. God kept His promise to send His Son. Jesus did die for us. And, He lives now in Heaven with God. If we trust Jesus, we can be in Heaven with them too! Would you like to trust in Jesus? (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 serve.
3. Ask God to help you to please Him.
4. Pray for friends and family members who need to please God.

Application

Isaiah prophesied about Jesus. Isaiah said that God chose Jesus to be a servant. God knew that Jesus would be faithful and obedient. Because Jesus did exactly what God wanted, Jesus pleased God. God wants us to be faithful and obedient to Him, too.

Planning for Next Week

Jeremiah Follows God — Jeremiah 1:1-10

Preschool Lesson

Read the Bible

READ: Isaiah 42:1-9 (Hold your Bible open throughout the story.)

Teachers: Bring toy dishes and cleaning supplies (broom, mop, etc.) Let the children pretend to clean. Talk about serving other.

Kings use to have servants who did things like bring their food, clean their home, wash their dishes, etc. Some people pay others to do those things. For many of us, our parents do those things. Some of us are able to help our parents do those things. How many of you are helpers at home?

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Memory verse for younger children

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Learning Activities

- **Memory verse activity** — Bring a coloring page of the world. Write the verse on the page.
- **Test your memory** — Do an acrostic using the words “Please God.” As you tell the story write key words that relate to the story.
- **Taste activity** — Bring cupcakes. Put candles on the cupcakes. Sing “This Little Light of Mine.”
- **Think about it**— Isaiah preached a message of hope. Talk about how God sent Jesus to save us from sin.

God said that Jesus was His chosen servant. Talk about what it meant for Jesus, Creator, God, Son, to be a servant. .

- **Touch activity** — Make fake candles with toilet paper rolls. Use construction paper to decorate the toilet paper roll. Use tissue paper for the flames. Ask the children to take the candles home to remind them to tell others about Jesus.

Bring toy dishes and cleaning supplies (broom, mop, etc.) Let the children pretend to clean. Talk about serving other.

Think of something your class can do to serve others. Plan to do it. Do it. (Go to a nursing home to sing, help a neighbor clean their yard, knock on a neighbors door, take food to a homebound person, etc.)

Make doves using hand prints for wings. See the internet for ideas.

- **Run and play** — Run relay races holding a flashlight. Talk about carrying the light (the gospel) to others)
- Bring a large box. Bring a dark blanket or cloth to cover it. Ask for a volunteer to sit in darkness. Ask another child to take a flashlight to the one sitting in darkness. Talk about sharing the Jesus with others.
- **Listen** — As the children take time for silence, remind them that God wants us to serve Him.
 - **Sing** — Sing “Go Light Your World,” “Light of the World,” “This Little Light of Mine,” “Shine Jesus, Shine,” 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 with the Bible verse to those who were absent. Pray with the children who were absent. Encourage them to read the story in the Bible.

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Word Puzzle

Trace the letters.

Jesus

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Word Search

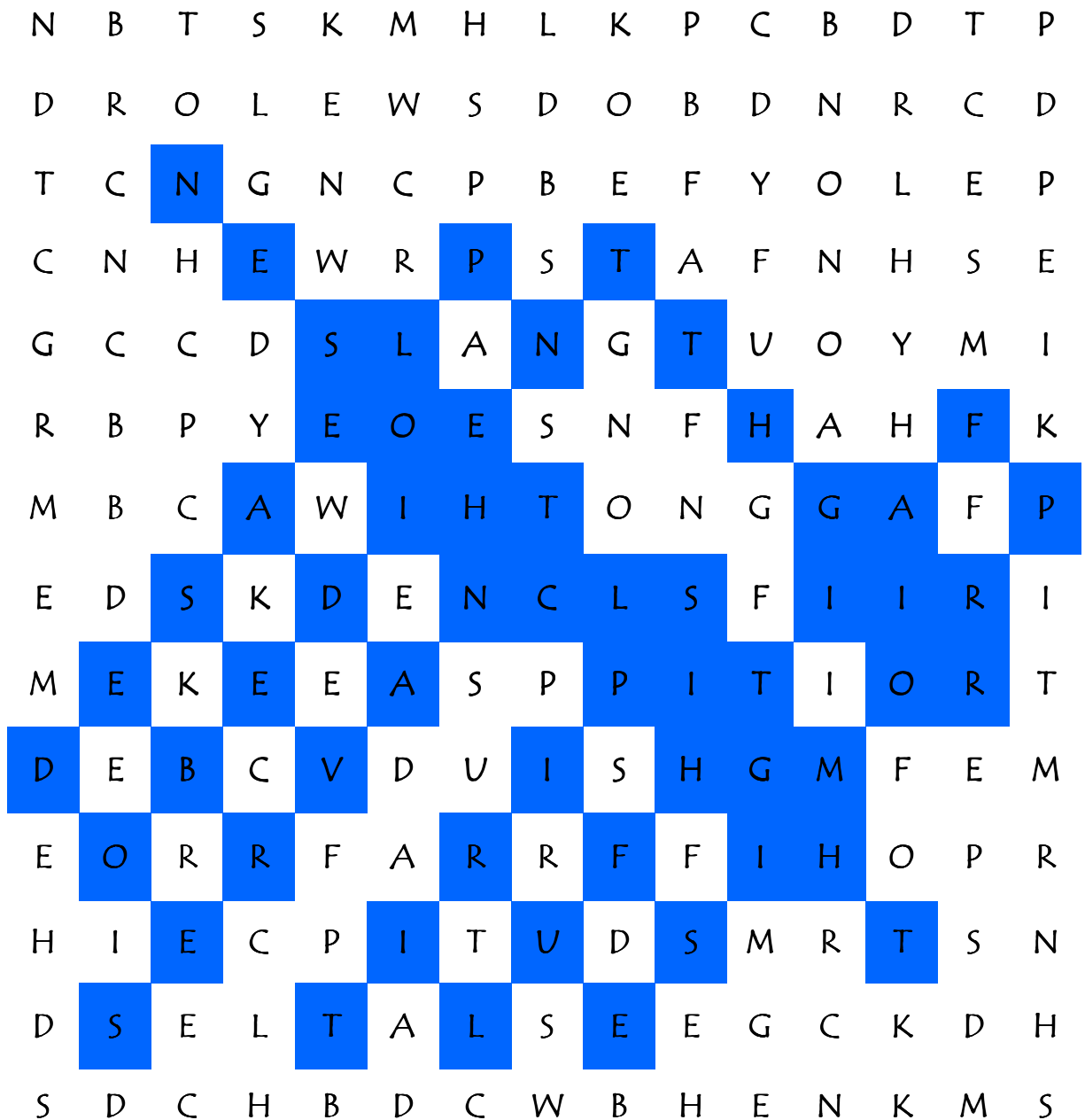
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Anagram

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