

Elijah and the Prophets of Baal: Lesson 3

SuperTruth: I will trust God with all my heart.

SuperVerse: “For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him.” 2 Chronicles 16:9a (NKJV)

Bible Story: 1 Kings 16:28–34; 17:1–4; 18

Game Materials

Needed:

- Two small buckets or containers of the same size
- Three pieces of paper
- Whiteboard or chalkboard
- Marker or chalk
- Sixth grade helper or volunteer to keep score

Teaching Materials

Needed:

- Signpost Cards Pattern
- Optional: cardstock—three pieces
- Optional: tape
- My Time Wheel Pattern for any children who missed the previous lessons
- Brass roundhead paper fasteners, one per My Time Wheel Pattern
- Model of the Discipleship Challenge craft from Lesson 1
- Scissors
- Bible or the *Superbook* Bible App

SuperVerse Materials

Needed:

- Whiteboard and marker or chalkboard and chalk
- Eraser
- Bible or the *Superbook* Bible App

Prayer Materials Needed:

- Bible or the *Superbook* Bible App

LARGE GROUP / GRADES 1–6

This is the last lesson of our Superbook adventure, “Elijah and the Prophets of Baal. Elijah remained loyal to God even when the Israelites abandoned God to worship idols.

- Superbook takes Chris, Joy and Gizmo back to ancient Israel. They meet Elijah, a prophet of the Lord, who boldly stands alone to challenge 450 prophets of the false god Baal in an epic showdown. The Lord clearly demonstrates that He is the one true God.
- Let’s watch our Signposts Video to see how the story of Elijah points to Jesus.

SMALL GROUP / GRADES 1–6

Game: Raindrop Review (15 minutes)

Objective: Play a fun review game.

- Elijah gave the Baal prophets a challenge to prove that the Lord is the only true God. Today, we are going to have a review challenge to see how much we can remember about the story of Elijah! Elijah prayed for God to send rain to end the drought and that’s what our game is about.

Game Instructions:

- Today, you are going to have a chance to “send” rain in the form of very large “raindrops” to a teammate to catch in a bucket. The catchers must stay behind the mark, so you need to throw the raindrop far enough to reach them! I will then ask a review question about the Bible story to both throwers. Points are scored for catching raindrops and for answering questions correctly.

Teaching: Elijah Signposts. (15 minutes)

Objective: Discuss how the Bible story is a signpost to Jesus.

- Today, we are going to discuss the Signpost video about the many ways that Elijah pointed to Jesus. Elijah lived over 800 years before Jesus was born. That’s a very long time; yet Elijah points us to Jesus in many ways!
- Have three different children select one of the three Signpost cards in order and read it aloud.

Take Home Activity—Discipleship Challenge (2 minutes)

- Continue to use your Time Wheels as a reminder to put God first in your lives! Remember, there is nothing more important than our relationship with God.

SuperVerse: Superbook Motions (5 minutes)

Objective: Memorize the SuperVerse with a group activity.

- Our SuperVerse tells us that God is always watching for ways to strongly support and strengthen those who are loyal to Him.
- Let’s learn our SuperVerse with some simple hand motions today. Say and do the motions for each phrase, having the children repeat after you.

Prayer: Strong Prayers (5 minutes)

Objective: Communicate with God.

- We are going to focus on trusting God as Elijah did. Let’s ask God to show Himself strong on our behalf. Perhaps you’re facing a hard situation at school or in your neighborhood. Maybe you want a friend or family member to know that the Lord is the one true God. Let’s pray quietly to our strong and faithful God to hear our prayers as He heard Elijah!
- Allow time for children to pray quietly, then close in prayer.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (REFER TO THE LESSON GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS)

Object Lesson: Present a visual of unwavering loyalty. | **Grades 1–6** | 5 min

Heart Game: Play a game to assemble a whole heart. | **Grades 1–3** | 10 min

Balloon Game: Play a game to give your heart to God. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min

Bible Study: Dig Deeper into how God sees us all. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min