

Job: Lesson 1

SuperTruth: When trouble comes, I can trust God.

SuperVerse: “I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” John 16:33 (NIV)

Bible Story: Job 1–42

Game Materials Needed:

- 100 small items, which may be all the same or a combination of craft sticks, coins, dried beans, pebbles, marbles, etc.
- Table
- Two sheets of cardstock or paper
- Two small or medium boxes
- One large basket
- Give and Take Cards
- Scissors
- Marker
- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

Teaching Materials Needed:

- Blessing Basket Pattern
- My Blessings Pattern
- Whiteboard and marker or chalkboard and chalk
- Paper, cardstock, or construction paper
- Tape
- Marker
- Scissors for children
- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

SuperVerse Materials Needed:

- Chalkboard, whiteboard, or poster board
- Chalk or marker
- Eraser
- Bibles or the Superbook Bible App

Prayer Materials Needed:

- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

Today we are going to watch a new Superbook video about a man named Job. God blessed Job with thousands of sheep, camels, oxen, donkeys, and a large family—but he is about to be tested!

- ***Note:** Video 2A: Chris and Joy's Dilemma is meant to accompany Video 3: Bible Story and Resolution in this lesson. Please preview Video 3. Should you feel that some scenes are too intense for young children, please play Video 2B: Chris and Joy's Dilemma Alternate instead of Video 2A. Also see note under Video 3.
- Superbook takes Chris, Joy and Gizmo back in time to meet Job. Satan has received permission from God to test Job by taking away his fortune, family and health. Even so, Job steadfastly trusts God—and is eventually rewarded for his perseverance. The children learn they can overcome any difficulty by trusting God.

SMALL GROUP / GRADES 1–6

Game: Give and Take (15 minutes)

Objective: Play a game about God's constancy.

- Job was determined to praise God, no matter what! Today, we will play a game called “Give and Take.”

Game Instructions:

- Teams play at the same time. The first player for each team draws a card from the pile, shouts what it says, quickly walks to the table, and follows the card's instructions. “Give” means to count that number of items from the basket and place it in the team's box. “Take” means to take that number of items from the team's box and put it in the basket.

Teaching: Job Trusted God (15 minutes)

Objective: Discuss Job's test.

- Satan unleashed a series of events that tested Job's trust and devotion to God. What did Job do? Job chose to worship God despite losing his possessions and even his children! Job knew he could still have faith in God, even though incredibly bad things happened.

Take Home Activity—Discipleship Challenge (5 minutes)

- Children will think of blessings for 21 days, writing them on the My Blessing slips. They will put the slips in their baskets and take time to praise and thank God for each blessing.

SuperVerse: Superbook Shout (5 minutes)

Objective: Memorize the SuperVerse with a group activity.

- God's peace doesn't come from being rich, or from living in a beautiful home, or from having an easy life with no problems. True peace comes from knowing God.
- The girls say the first part of the verse quietly. The boys respond by shouting the second part of the verse. Have the girls and boys switch parts and do it again. Then, all whisper the first part of the verse, then shout the last part.

Prayer: Intercessory Prayer (5 minutes)

Objective: Communicate with God.

- Job often offered sacrifices to God in case his children had sinned. Praying for others is called intercessory prayer. It is wonderful to know that someone else is praying for your needs.
- Children form small groups. Each child can share a general prayer request and the group can pray for each other's request. Close in prayer with all of the children together.

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

Hedge of Protection Game: Play a game to illustrate God's protection. | **Grades 1–6** | 15 min

Help Gizmo Find Iggy: Color a picture to find Iggy. | **Grades 1–3** | 15 min

Bible Study: Dig deeper into trusting God through adversity. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min