

SESSION 28 PARENT CONNECTION

GOD'S PEOPLE REJECTED HIM

TODAY'S POINT: WE CAN TRUST GOD'S PLAN.

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1 Samuel 12:24b

BIBLE STORY

The Nation Wanted a King (1 Samuel 8-9)

KEY POINTS

- The Israelites wanted a king, so they could be like the other nations.
- Samuel, God's prophet (messenger), knew this was not God's plan for the Israelites.
- The Israelites did not trust God's plan and disobeyed God.
- God allowed the Israelites to have a king but warned them about how this king would disappoint and hurt them.

KEY VERSE: 1 Samuel 12:24b

FAMILY READING

1 Samuel 8:1-9 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why did the Israelites want a king to rule over them? (They wanted to be like the other nations.)
- How did the Israelites disobey God? (They asked for a king. They thought their ideas were better than God's plan.)
- Why do you think God was a better ruler than a king could have been? (God loves us and is all-powerful. He is in control of everything!)



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BIBLE STORY

Saul Was Anointed and Disobeyed God
(1 Samuel 10–13)

KEY POINTS

- Saul was anointed as the first king of Israel.
- The Israelites were preparing to go to battle against the Philistines and needed direction from God.
- Saul did not wait on Samuel and offered the sacrifice himself.
- Saul disobeyed God.

KEY VERSE: 1 Samuel 12:24b

FAMILY READING

1 Samuel 13:5-15 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Who disobeyed God by not waiting to make the sacrifice? (Saul)
- How do you think this shows that Saul was not a good leader? (He didn't listen to God.)
- Why is it good news that God loves us, even when we disobey? (We all disobey and need God's love and forgiveness.)



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GOD CHOSE A NEW KING

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Consider the great things [God] has done for you.
1 Samuel 12:24b

BIBLE STORY

God Rejected Saul and Chose David to be King (1 Samuel 15–16:13)

KEY POINTS

- Saul defeated the Amalekites, but he disobeyed God by not destroying everything.
- Saul thought his ways were better than God's ways.
- God rejected Saul as king and sent Samuel to anoint a new king.
- God chose David—someone no one expected—to be the new king.
- God knew David had a heart that would follow Him.

KEY VERSE: 1 Samuel 12:24b

FAMILY READING

1 Samuel 15:17-26 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why did God reject Saul as the king? (Saul disobeyed God.)
- Who did God choose to be the new king of Israel? (David)
- Why should we make decisions that obey God? (God knows everything about us. God wants what is best for us. God looks at our heart, not just what's on the outside.)



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THE KINGDOM ESTABLISHED

TODAY'S POINT: GOD'S WAYS ARE ALWAYS BEST.

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2 Samuel 7:28a

BIBLE STORY

God Established David's Kingdom
(2 Samuel 2:1-4; 5:1-10; Luke 2:1-14)

KEY POINTS

- David prayed to God and asked for guidance and direction.
- David listened to God.
- The leaders of Israel anointed David king over Israel.
- David became more and more powerful. God helped David grow his kingdom.

KEY VERSE: 2 Samuel 7:28a

FAMILY READING

2 Samuel 2:1-4 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What did David ask God in these verses? (David asked where God wanted him to go.)
- Why did David ask God for direction? (David trusted God and knew His ways were always best.)
- How do we learn God's ways for our lives? (Read the Bible—God's Word.)



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SESSION 32 PARENT CONNECTION

GOD'S COVENANT PROMISE WITH DAVID

TODAY'S POINT: GOD MADE A PROMISE TO KING DAVID.

BIBLE STORY

God Made a Promise with David
(2 Samuel 7)

KEY POINTS

- King David wanted to build a house for God.
- God promised David that one of David's sons would build a house for Him.
- God promised David that one of his sons would always be on the throne and would reign for eternity.
- David thanked God for His promises.

KEY VERSE: 2 Samuel 7:28a

FAMILY READING

2 Samuel 7:4-17 (Retell in words that preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why did David want to build a house for God? (David was resting from his enemies and wanted God to have a place to dwell.)
- Who would be a descendant of David's family and reign for eternity? (Jesus)
- What can you thank God for today?

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BIBLE STORY

David and Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9)

KEY POINTS

- David wanted to honor his friend Jonathan's family.
- King David showed mercy and kindness to Mephibosheth (mef-ee-bo'-sheth), Jonathan's son.
- David invited Mephibosheth to live with him and eat at his table just like one of his sons.

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FAMILY READING

2 Samuel 9 (Retell in words that preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Who was Mephibosheth? (Jonathan's son; Saul's grandson)
- How did King David show mercy and kindness to Mephibosheth? (He invited Mephibosheth to always eat at his table.)
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TODAY'S POINT: GOD ALWAYS KEEPS HIS PROMISES.

BIBLE STORY

God Fulfilled His Promise to Solomon
(1 Kings 5-9:9)

KEY POINTS

- God kept His promise to David by allowing David's son, Solomon, to build a temple for Him. Solomon obeyed God.
- God promised Solomon someone from his family would always be on the throne.
- God told Solomon to lead the Israelites to obey Him.

KEY VERSE: 1 Kings 8:60b

FAMILY READING

1 Kings 9:1-9

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- How did God keep His promise to David? (God allowed Solomon to build the temple.)
- What did God promise Solomon? (God promised that someone in Solomon's family would always be on the throne.)
- Who is the ultimate King to come from David's family? (Jesus)

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ISRAEL'S KINGS DISOBEYED

TODAY'S POINT: GOD'S PEOPLE BROKE THEIR PROMISES.

BIBLE STORY

The Kings of Israel Disobeyed God
(1 Kings 11-16)

KEY POINTS

- Solomon disobeyed God and led the other Israelites to disobey God too.
- God promised to tear the kingdom away from Solomon because he disobeyed.
- God divided the kingdom into two kingdoms.
- The kings after Solomon disobeyed God over and over again.
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FAMILY READING

1 Kings 11:6-13 (Retell in words that preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- How did Solomon disobey God? (He worshiped other gods and led the Israelites to do the same.)
- How many kingdoms did God divide Israel into? (2)
- What happens when we disobey God? (Disobeying God keeps us far away from Him. God still loves us when we disobey and forgives us when we ask.)

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SESSION 36 PARENT CONNECTION

THE PROMISED ONE

TODAY'S POINT: GOD SENT JESUS, AND HE WAS FROM DAVID'S FAMILY.

BIBLE STORY

God Fulfilled His Promise through Jesus
(Matthew 1-2; Luke 2)

KEY POINTS

- Jesus was born in Bethlehem.
- Jesus was the promised King from the family of David.
- Jesus was the One who came to save God's people.
- Jesus is the ultimate promise, who God told people about from the very beginning.

KEY VERSE: 1 Kings 8:60b

FAMILY READING

Luke 2:1-14 (Retell in words that preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What good news did the angels bring? (Jesus was born in the city of David.)
- Why were the angels happy? (Jesus is the promised Savior.)
- Why is Jesus' birth so important for us? (He is the one God promised would rescue us.)

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