

WEEK ONE

BOTTOM LINE

God will take care of me.

MEMORY VERSE

Neither height nor depth, nor anything else...will be able to separate us from the love of God. Romans 8:39

BIBLE STORY FOCUS

Elijah and the Widow God cares for me. 1 Kings 17:8–15









START TIME

STORY TIME

CIRCLE TIME

PLAY TIME

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.

START TIME

(15 minutes)

1. Mix It Up

Supplies: flour, water, paper bowl, plastic spoons, and a plastic tablecloth

Option: Plastic Ziploc® Baggies instead of the paper bowl

How To:

During the Activity: Cover your table with a plastic tablecloth. Give each child a paper bowl and a plastic spoon. Pour a little flour and water into each child's bowl. Instruct the kids to stir the flour and water together with a spoon and then use their hands to knead the dough. Make the mixture more flour than water to prevent it from getting too sticky. The kids can take the dough out of the bowl and play with it on the tablecloth.

Option: Give each child a plastic Ziploc® baggie in place of a paper bowl to put the flour and water in. Close the baggie and show the kids how to mix the dough by squeezing the bag.

Say This:

Before the Activity: "Who knows what this white stuff is [show the flour]? Yes, this is flour. We use flour to make cakes, breads, and pizzas. What is this [show water]? We all know what water is. Today we are going to mix some flour and water together."

During the Activity: "Let's pretend we're cooking something. What are you cooking? [Allow each child to share what he is cooking.] A woman in our Bible story today makes some bread with her flour and then God did something AMAZING. I can't wait to find out what God did!"



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CIRCLETIME

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STORY TIME

(20 minutes)

1. Introductory Sketch

Intro Video: Super Sunny Day "Intro Sketch - Week 1"

[Video fades out and lights come up on the stage. Storyteller enters.]

Prop/Supply Needs: table, tablecloth that reaches the floor, small jar, larger canister, flour, oil, mixing bowl, wooden spoon, pre-made dough, and bread pan

[There should be a table on the stage with a tablecloth covering it. A person should hide underneath the table. That person will have two bags of flour and a large container of oil. As the story progresses, he/she will pop out from under the table and keep filling the flour and oil. He/she will be messy and move faster and faster.]

2. Bible Story

STORYTELLER: "Good morning! It is a super sunny day! And I am so glad to be HERE with YOU! I have a GREAT story to tell you today. It's a true story about a man named Elijah. I read this story right here in my..." [Hold up your Bible. Kids respond: Bible!] "That's right! I can read all about Elijah right there in my Bible.

"Now, I have a question for you. Have you ever been super hungry? I mean, so hungry [rub your tummy] that you would pitch a big old fit just like Abigail did?

[Pretend to whine and complain while rubbing your tummy.] "I am SO Hungry! I need a snack RIGHT now! Who's going to feed me? Doesn't anyone care? I'm hungry! I need foooood!

"Raise your hand if you've ever been so hungry that you whined just a little [kids respond]. Raise your hand if you've ever been so hungry that you threw a big old fit just like Abigail! [Kids raise their hands.] Well, in our story today, Elijah hasn't eaten in DAYS.

"I mean, days and days and days. You see, it hadn't rained in a long, long, long, LOOOOONNNNGGG time, and there was no food growing anywhere. All of the food was drying up and dying. There was no food. Elijah was SO HUNGRY! He didn't know what he was going to do. He needed food!

"But Elijah knew [Bottom Line] 'God will take care of me!' Who will take care of you?"

KIDS: [Bottom Line] "God will take care of me."

STORYTELLER: "That's right! God will take care of you. And God told Elijah to go to a woman's house and knock on the door and ask her for some bread.