



## WEEK 4 PRESCHOOL LESSON GUIDE



### ***BIG IDEA***

God does amazing things!

### ***THE BIBLE***

Elijah and the Chariot of Fire: 2 Kings 2

## WELCOME TIME

### ACTIVITY | True or False

- Tell me if the following is true or false, which means not true. Stand up if you think it is true, and stay sitting if you think it is false.
- Jesus walked on water. (*True*)
- Jesus fed 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. (*True*)
- God created the world and all the animals. (*True*)
- Jesus healed a man who couldn't walk. (*True*)
- Those are just a few of the amazing things God has done. Today, we'll hear about another amazing thing!

## TEACHING TIME

### THE BIG IDEA | God does amazing things!

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *The Big Idea can be presented with these hand motions. Then divide the kids into two groups and compete to see who can say this the loudest and with the most cheer and excitement.*
- **God** [Raise both of your arms, making a V shape.]
- **does amazing things** [Open your hands and make a big circle with spirit fingers.]

### VIDEO | Amazed, Episode 4

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Play this week's preschool [teaching video](#).*



### SCRIPTURE | 2 Kings 2

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Point to the kids and tell them to say the word, "Amazing" when you point at them. Feel free to add some fun hand motions.*
- God did many **[amazing]** things through the prophet, Elijah. A prophet is just a fancy word for someone who loves God and listens to God so well, that God gives them messages to share with other people about God.
- Now, Elijah was getting older and he was tired. He was looking forward to being with God in heaven one day. I can't wait to go to heaven one day, too. I know it's going to be **[amazing]**!
- God told Elijah to teach Elisha to be the next prophet. **Can you say these names with me? Elijah. Elisha.** Great job! Their names are almost the same! But they are two different people. What comes next is so **[amazing]**.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Read 2 Kings 2:8-10 together.*
- **Now, who can tell me what a cloak is?** Yes, it's like a long jacket. So, Elijah and Elisha were walking along when Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up, and hit the water with his cloak. The water did something so **[amazing]**! It split right down the middle and made a path for them so they could walk across the river to the other side without getting wet.
- Elisha wanted to do things for God just like Elijah did!
- As Elijah and Elisha were walking along and talking together, suddenly, a chariot and horses made of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah was taken to heaven in a whirlwind. That is **[amazing]**
- Elijah passed on what he knew to Elisha and then God did some **[amazing]** things through Elisha, too!
- Wasn't that a cool story? We can also go to heaven when we believe in Jesus. Isn't that **[amazing]**?

### ACTIVITY | Whirlwind

- We are going to pretend to be Elijah from our Bible story today. Everybody, stand up. First, Elijah saw a chariot and horses made of fire. **What do you think his face looked like when he saw this?** He was probably amazed! Show me an amazed face!
- Next came a whirlwind that took Elijah to heaven! **Can you pretend you're in a whirlwind?** Watch out for your neighbors.
- Great job, everyone! You were all amazing!

### PRAYER

- Thank You, God, for showing us how amazing You are! You did some amazing things in the Bible and You do so many amazing things for me!

## DISCUSSION TIME

### SNACK | Ask kids these review questions as they eat their snack.

- **Did Elijah and Elisha listen and obey God?**
- **How did they get across the Jordan River?**
- **How did Elijah get to heaven?**
- **Do you think God is amazing?**



### ACTIVITY | Story Cards

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Take out the story cards. Show all the pictures to the kids out of order and ask them what they think is happening with Elijah and Elisha on the story card. Prompt them with questions and remind them of the story if they are unsure.*
- **Do you think this is Elijah and Elisha meeting and talking?**
- **It looks like they are crossing in between water. How did that happen?**
- **What is lifting Elijah up into the sky? Where is he going?**
- **Now, let's put the cards in order of the story.**
- God does amazing things!

### ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Seat the kids in a circle. Tell the kids to turn to someone on their left or right and tell them as loudly as they can, "God does amazing things!" Now, turn to the person on the other side and whisper, "God does amazing things."*
- **Who can tell me one thing God did in our Bible story that was amazing?**
- **Who can tell me something God does right now that is amazing?**
- Those are all amazing things! God really does amazing things for all of us!

## PLAY TIME

### ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Give each kid a coloring page along with crayons, markers, or colored pencils. Remind them of today's story, memory verse, and Big Idea as they color!*