

#### **LESSON 1 TODDLER TIME**

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#### **LESSON AT A GLANCE**

WONDER TRUTH: God Calls People to Be His Messengers

**SCRIPTURE:** Isaiah 6

GOD'S BIG STORY: The prophet Isaiah has a vision of God's throne room. Isaiah recognizes God's holiness

and his own sinfulness, but God cleanses him and calls Isaiah to be His messenger.

#### **Object Lesson: Play Dough Wings**

## **Activity: Messenger Horns**

### Worship

# **God's Big Story**

### **Prayer and Blessing**

#### **Activity: Listen Up!**



Designed for families to engage in the wonder of God together at home. This resource includes a video, worship playlists, activities, and more!

#### **Object Lesson: Play Dough Wings**

**SUPPLIES:** play dough, play dough tools such as spoons or rolling pins

Welcome! I am so glad that you're here today! Greet the kids warmly and welcome them to church.

Come see what we have to play with today. You can use this play dough to create something beautiful. Have you ever seen wings on a bird? Can you make your play dough look like wings?

Invite the children to shape the play dough.

**Leader Tip:** Toddlers may want to use the play dough to create something from their imaginations. Let them get creative!

Today in our story, we will learn how Isaiah, God's messenger, saw some beautiful creatures with wings who were worshiping God!

#### **Activity: Messenger Horns**

SUPPLIES: paper (1 sheet per kid), tape

Ahead of time, roll up each sheet of paper into the shape of a horn with a narrow end and a wider end. Tape the papers in place so they don't unroll. Make one horn per child and set the horns on a table.

Today we're going to see how God called a man named Isaiah to be His messenger. Isaiah got to tell people what God said and what God wanted. We can tell people about God too!

See these horns that I made? You can take one and shout a message into it! Invite the kids to take a horn and either say something into it or make noise into it. Kids may want to sing into them as well.

**Leader Tip:** To keep kids from passing germs, make sure they don't share horns that they have put their mouths on.

#### Great job being messengers!

Our Wonder Truth today is GOD CALLS PEOPLE TO BE HIS MESSENGERS.

Encourage the kids to do the following motions while you repeat the Wonder Truth. Older toddlers can say the words with you as they do the motions.

GOD—Point up.

**CALLS PEOPLE**—Point to yourself.

**TO BE HIS MESSENGERS.**—Cup your hands around your mouth.

#### Worship

Wonder Ink RESOURCES: songs from the God with Us Early Childhood Spotify playlist

Today we're learning that God calls people to be His messengers. We'll learn in God's big story how God showed Isaiah how holy He is! God's holiness means He is perfect and without sin.

Play songs from the <u>God with Us Early Childhood Spotify playlist</u> and encourage the kids to sing and dance with you.

# **God's Big Story**

**SUPPLIES:** Bible

Wonder Ink RESOURCES: God's Big Story Video

God's big story today is a great story from the Bible about a person named Isaiah. Encourage the kids to say, "Isaiah." Let's find out from the Bible what happened to Isaiah!

Show the kids the God's Big Story Video or read the story from the Bible or use the script provided.

Gather everyone together. Let's all have a seat so we can learn about God's big story! I need your help telling the big story today. Whenever we hear the word "messenger," you can point to your mouth. Demonstrate with your hands. Great job!

Long ago, God sent special people called messengers (encourage everyone to point to their mouths) to talk to His people for Him. This is the story of how a man named Isaiah became a messenger (have everyone point to their mouths) for God.

God talked to Isaiah in a vision. A vision is a special picture from God. Isaiah saw God sitting on His throne—His big chair. There were creatures with wings flying around God's throne. Invite the kids to flap their arms like wings. They sang about how powerful God is. The vision made Isaiah think about how perfect God is. Isaiah also thought about how he is a human who sinned and did wrong things.

But God picked Isaiah to be His messenger. Have kids point to their mouths. God would take away Isaiah's sins, the wrong things Isaiah did. God asked, "Who will I send?" God wanted to send a messenger (have the kids point to their mouths) to His people. God was asking Isaiah to go. Isaiah felt happy that God forgave him. God sent Isaiah to speak God's words to His people. God calls people to be His messengers. Have the kids point to their mouths.

#### **Prayer and Blessing**

Let's talk to God. Thank You, God, for loving us and making us clean. Thank You for helping us share Your love and messages. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Encourage the kids to hold their hands out in front of them, with palms up, as if their hands were open to receive something. Tell them to listen and receive the blessing as you speak it over them.

**Blessing:** God loves you and forgives sin. You can tell others about Him each day! He is good and perfect.

## **Activity: Listen Up!**

God calls people to be His messengers and to share His love with others. This means we listen to what God says in the Bible so we can learn about God's love. Let's practice listening!

Invite the kids to stand in front of you. Pat your own head and encourage the kids to tap their heads along with you. Then rub your stomach and encourage them to rub their tummies when you do. Jump up and down and encourage them to jump up and down with you. Then sit down and invite them to sit when you do. Ask them to stand when you do, and then ask them to come give you a high five.

Great job listening! We can listen to God and tell others what He says. God calls people to be His messengers!

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