

# ELEMENTARY 2 YEAR 3 BOOK 2

## GOD'S COURAGEOUS WORKERS

### INTRODUCTION

The main objectives for this quarter are:

- To study the stories of some courageous workers of God, such as Elijah, Elisha, Nehemiah, and Ezra.
- To learn more about the great works that they did and miracles that they performed through God.
- To understand that all strength and power comes from God.

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## MEMORY VERSES

1. "Listen to counsel and receive instruction, that you may be wise in your latter days." (Proverbs 19:20)
2. "And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the LORD your God." (Deuteronomy 28:2)
3. "And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power." (1 Corinthians 6:14)
4. "The LORD is far from the wicked, but He hears the prayer of the righteous." (Proverbs 15:29)
5. "So we may boldly say: 'The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?'" (Hebrews 13:6)
6. "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." (Matthew 7:7)
7. "My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth." (1 John 3:18)
8. "My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth." (Psalm 121:2)
9. "Learn to do good; seek justice, rebuke the oppressor; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow." (Isaiah 1:17)
10. "Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your law." (Psalm 119:18)
11. "But the Lord is faithful, who will establish you and guard you from the evil one." (2 Thessalonians 3:3)
12. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service." (Romans 12:1)

# MEMORY VERSE FLASH CARDS

## Instructions

1. Make copies of the memory verse flash cards for the students at the beginning of each quarter.
2. Cut out each memory verse and create a set for each student.
3. Notify each student's parents that our goal is to have students use these flash cards daily to help commit the verses to memory. Each day, their parents should remind them to review the verse and memorize it. By the end of the week, they will have the verse imprinted in their memory and heart. These steps are repeated for each memory verse.
4. Distribute the memory verse flash cards to the students.

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# LESSON 1

## THE DIVIDED KINGDOM: REHOBOAM AND JEROBOAM

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: The Divided Kingdom
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: Making Wise Choices
- Homework

# THE DIVIDED KINGDOM

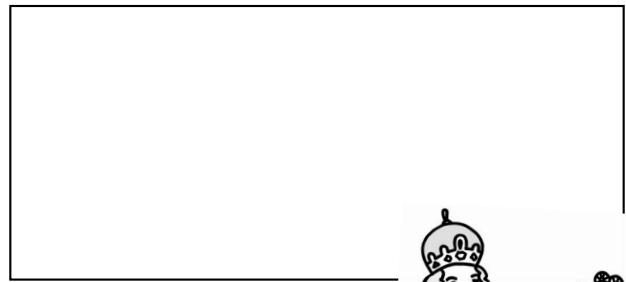
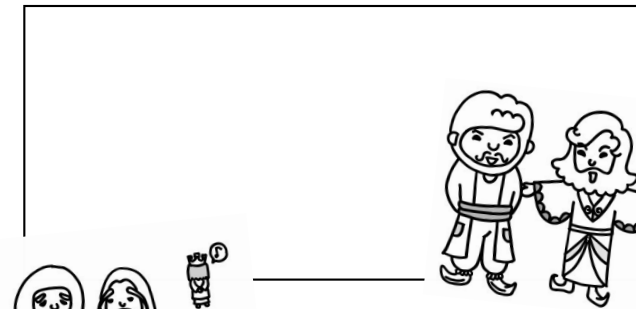
Rehoboam



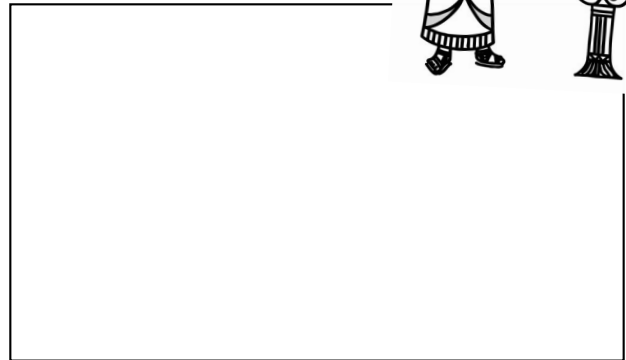
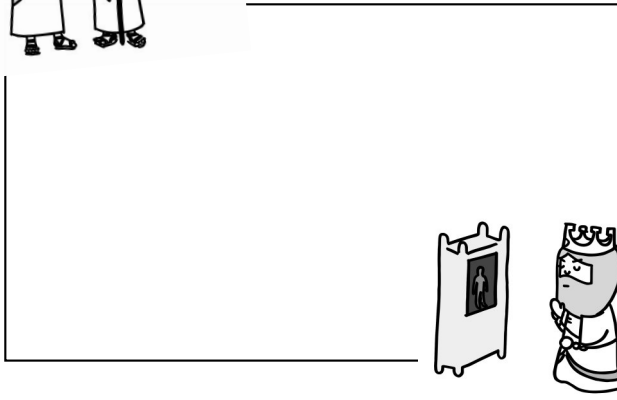
Jeroboam



1. Who did they seek advice from?



2. What bad choices did they make?



3. What were the consequences of their actions?



## Making Wise Choices

A. Read the Bible passage to find out whose advice each of the Bible characters followed and what happened as a result of following that advice.

Bible Passage	Who received the advice?	Who gave the advice?	What was the advice?	What was the consequence?
Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7, 22-24			Eat the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.	
1 Samuel 24:2-5, 10-12		His men		David had the word of God in his heart; he knew that he could not kill the king, who was the Lord's anointed, even though he had the chance.
2 Kings 5:1-4	Naaman's wife		The maidservant told her mistress that Naaman should go to the prophet in Israel for help in curing Naaman's leprosy.	
2 Kings 5:10-14		His servants		
Exodus 18:13-22, 24-26			Jethro advised Moses to appoint judges to help deal with the problems of the people instead of simply judging all by himself.	

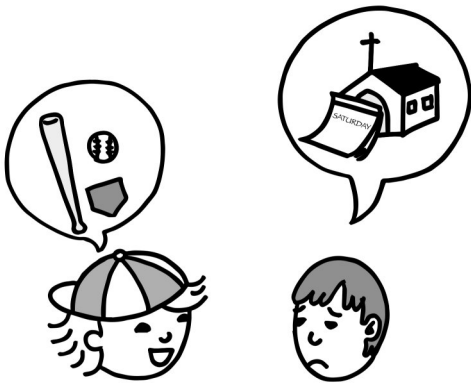


**B. How do we know whether the advice we have received is good or bad? Fill in the blanks.**

- See if the advice is in accordance with the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ will.
- Ask God to give us a \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_.
- Seek advice from \_\_\_\_\_ who are \_\_\_\_\_ and godly.

**C. What Do I Do?**

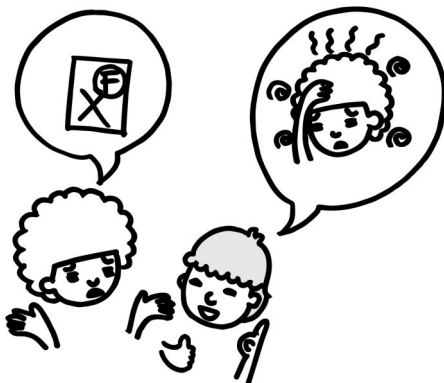
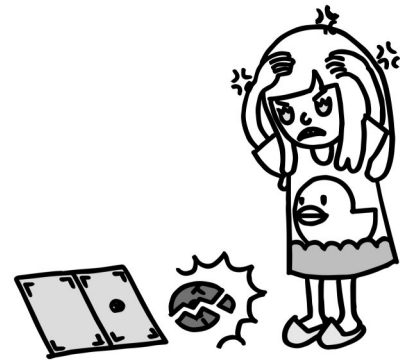
Read the following scenarios and discuss what your choice of action would be. Consider the possible consequences for your actions.



1. There is a school baseball team that you want to join. Your best friend is also trying out for it, and he really hopes that you can both play on the same team. The problem is that the practices are held on Saturdays. Your best friend says that the practices will be every Saturday, and since God is love, He will forgive you for missing church services during practice sessions.

**What do you do?**

2. Your friend is spending a few hours in your house, and you really want to show him the new game you got. Suddenly, you see your video game lying on the floor, broken. You find out that your sister had taken your game without asking and had somehow broken it. She has not apologized and has conveniently disappeared. You are so mad at her. Your friend gives you an idea, "Hey, how about taking something of hers and breaking it. It will serve her right." You know your sister loves to read and has some books she really treasures. **What do you do?**



3. You realize too late that you have a school assignment due tomorrow. You know you'll get into trouble, as your teacher has reminded the class repeatedly that this important assignment is due tomorrow. You tell your brother your problem. "Why don't you tell Mom that you're sick and that you need to stay at home? That way, you'll have all day tomorrow to finish the assignment," your brother advises. The advice sounds good to you. **What do you do?**

E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 1—The Divided Kingdom: Rehoboam and Jeroboam

# Homework Assignment

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## What I Learned from the Bible This Week

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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (**Proverbs 19:20**)

\_\_\_\_\_

## Fill In the Blank

Dan Southern Kingdom heart Bethel kingdom Jeroboam false gods elders Judah  
 wives Northern Kingdom one Israel golden calves Rehoboam young men ten seek

1. Because of the sins of King Solomon, God took the \_\_\_\_\_ away from him. \_\_\_\_\_ tribe was given to his son \_\_\_\_\_; \_\_\_\_\_ tribes were given to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Rehoboam first consulted the \_\_\_\_\_ and then the \_\_\_\_\_ for advice.
3. Rehoboam did not set his \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ after God. As a result, he sinned against God by worshipping \_\_\_\_\_ and marrying many \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Jeroboam tried to keep the people from going to Jerusalem by making two \_\_\_\_\_ for the people to worship, one in \_\_\_\_\_ and the other in \_\_\_\_\_.
5. After the nation was divided, Rehoboam's kingdom was called \_\_\_\_\_, or the \_\_\_\_\_ . Jeroboam's kingdom was called \_\_\_\_\_, or the \_\_\_\_\_.

## Short Answer

1. What can we learn from Rehoboam's and Jeroboam's bad choices and consequences?
2. Share one piece of good advice that you have received before. Who gave it to you, and how did you know it was good advice?

## LESSON 2

# ELIJAH CONFRONTS KING AHAB, AND GOD'S MIRACULOUS PROVISION

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: Elijah Confronts King Ahab
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Who Was Rebellious? Who Was Obedient?
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: Blessed Are Those Who Obey
- Homework

## ELIJAH CONFRONTS KING AHAB

Instructions: Fill in the missing words.

### 1. King Ahab and Queen Jezebel

Ahab did more evil than any other king before him. What did Ahab do that angered the Lord greatly?

- a. Ahab walked in the sins of \_\_\_\_\_ by worshipping idols and the \_\_\_\_\_ that Jeroboam had made.
- b. Ahab married Jezebel of \_\_\_\_\_. Jezebel worshipped \_\_\_\_\_ and brought her pagan gods with her to \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. To please his wife, Ahab built a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for her gods and even went into the temple to \_\_\_\_\_ her gods.

### 2. Elijah Is Sent to the King's Palace

Elijah pronounced to King Ahab that there would be no \_\_\_\_\_ upon the land of Israel. Rain did not fall for \_\_\_\_\_.

God punished Ahab and the land with drought because they believed that it was \_\_\_\_\_ who brought the \_\_\_\_\_ and the harvest.



## GOD'S MIRACULOUS PROVISIONS



### 3. Elijah Is Sent to the Brook Cherith

Ravens are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ birds.

What did God want Elijah to learn by using ravens to feed him?

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\_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Elijah Is Sent to the Widow of Zarephath

Write down three things about the widow of Zarephath.

1. She was a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. She was a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. She was extremely \_\_\_\_\_.

Why did God send Elijah to this widow's house?

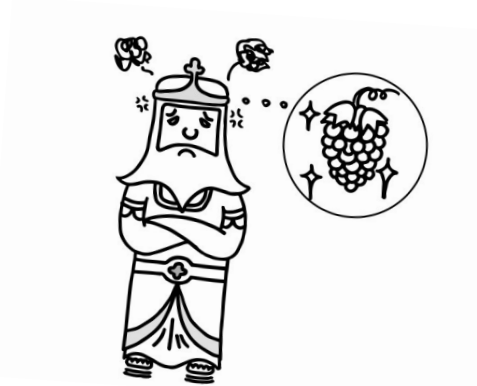
1. Elijah learned to \_\_\_\_\_ himself and \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
2. To bring \_\_\_\_\_ upon the widow.



### WHO WAS REBELLIOUS? WHO WAS OBEDIENT?

Instructions: Using what you learned today, determine whether King Ahab, Elijah, the Widow of Zarephath, and the Ravens were rebellious or obedient. Then, fill out the rest of the columns.

Rebellious	Obedient	What did he/she or they do?	What were the consequences?





## BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO OBEY

A. Read the following scenarios and discuss the questions below.

### Scenario 1

Amanda's teacher Mrs. Olson has asked her to tidy up her workspace. Amanda pretends not to hear and continues to talk with her friend. Amanda doesn't like her teacher, and she doesn't see why she has to listen to her. Mrs. Olson moves towards Amanda and, in a stern voice, says, "Amanda, this is your final reminder to clean up." Amanda rolls her eyes and walks slowly to her workspace.



Discuss

- What was Amanda's reason for not obeying her teacher?
- If we do not like a person, is it okay not to listen to him/her? Explain your answer.
- How can Amanda change her attitude?



### Scenario 2

"Curtis, we are leaving for church in ten minutes."

Nothing but the sounds of a video game comes from his room. Curtis' mother enters his room.

"Curtis, we've already talked about how we're not going to be playing games on the Sabbath."

"I didn't agree to it."

"It doesn't matter whether you agreed or not. On the Sabbath, our focus is on God and not on doing our own things."

"I don't see why I'm not allowed to play when all my friends at church can," argues Curtis.

"I'm not going to discuss what your friends can or cannot do; that's up to their parents. You, on the other hand, are my

responsibility. So, put away that game. We have to go or we'll be late!"

Curtis does not move.

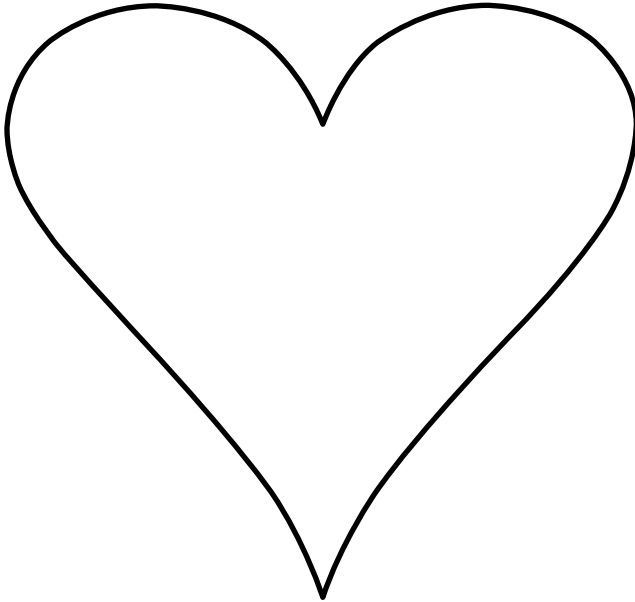
Discuss

- Why does Curtis refuse to listen to his mother?
- Why do you think Curtis needs to listen to his parents?
- What can Curtis do to overcome this problem?

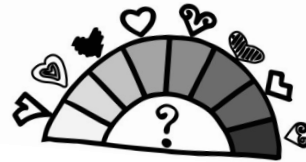
B. What kind of heart do I have?

**1. Examine our heart**

In the heart, write down the times when you did not obey. Write down the people you did not obey.



What Kind of Heart Do I Have?



**2. Ask God to create in us a clean and submissive heart**

Write a short prayer asking God to create in us a pure and soft heart.

Dear Lord, ...

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**3. Walk in obedience**

Think of something that you will do to walk in obedience.

This week I will...

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E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 2—Elijah Confronts King Ahab, and God's Miraculous Provisions

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## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Deuteronomy 28:2)**

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### True or False

1. Elijah refused to eat of the food brought by the ravens because they were unclean birds and scavengers. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The Bible describes Ahab as the most evil king of Israel because he worshipped idols and married Jezebel, who brought her false gods to Israel. \_\_\_\_\_
3. By first baking bread for Elijah, the widow showed her faith in Elijah's words and her love and sacrifice. \_\_\_\_\_
4. If we want to be blessed in our life, we must obey God's commands. \_\_\_\_\_

### Multiple Choice

5. \_\_\_\_\_ : God promised the widow of Zarephath that \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. From now on, she would always have flour and oil in her house.
  - b. The flour and oil would not be used up until the day the Lord sent rain and when the crops grew again.
  - c. She would never face another famine.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ : Elijah was told to hide by the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. River Jordan
  - b. Sea of Galilee
  - c. Brook Cherith
7. \_\_\_\_\_ : Elijah survived the famine by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Eating wild berries and drinking water from the brook
  - b. Fasting and praying
  - c. Drinking water from the brook and eating the food brought by ravens
8. \_\_\_\_\_ : In the Bible, rebellion is described to be as bad as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Witchcraft
  - b. Adultery
  - c. Pride

**Short Answer**

9. How was the widow of Zarephath better than King Ahab and the people of Israel?

10. This week, I can learn to obey [a person] \_\_\_\_\_ better by [an action] \_\_\_\_\_.

## LESSON 3

# ELIJAH RESTORES A BOY TO LIFE THROUGH GOD'S POWER

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: Elijah Restores a Boy to Life through God's Power
- Life Application Worksheet: God Has the Power to Resurrect
- Activity Worksheet: Resurrection
- Homework

## ELIJAH RESTORES A BOY TO LIFE THROUGH GOD'S POWER

### A. A Crisis in the Widow's House

a. After a period of peace and blessings, what crisis occurred in the widow's home?

\_\_\_\_\_

b. How did the widow feel? Read 1 Kings 17:18.

1. "What have I to do with you, O man of God?" \_\_\_\_\_
2. "Have you come to me to bring my sin to remembrance?" \_\_\_\_\_
3. "And to kill my son?" \_\_\_\_\_



### B. God Gives Us Trials to Stretch Our Faith

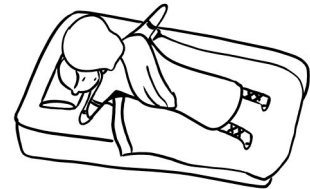
a. God gives us trials to help us think about our \_\_\_\_\_, our \_\_\_\_\_ and our \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_.

b. God is in \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### C. Elijah Prays

How did Elijah pray for the dead boy? Read 1 Kings 17:20-22.

1. Elijah \_\_\_\_\_ God why this happened, but he did not \_\_\_\_\_ God.
2. Elijah \_\_\_\_\_ himself out on the child \_\_\_\_\_ times, and cried out to the Lord and said, "O LORD my God, I pray, let this child's \_\_\_\_\_ come back to him."
3. Elijah prayed until God \_\_\_\_\_ his prayers.



### D. The Widow's Deeper Understanding of God

God used this crisis to convince the widow that Elijah was a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ . He spoke the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, and God \_\_\_\_\_ to him.



# 1. GOD HAS THE POWER TO RESURRECT

A. Look up the Bible passages to find out who resurrected from the dead.

- 1 Kings 17:17-23 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Kings 4:18-37 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Kings 13:20-21 \_\_\_\_\_
- Luke 7:11-15 \_\_\_\_\_
- Luke 8:49-55 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 11:39-44 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 9:36-41 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 20:9-10 \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew 28:5-6 \_\_\_\_\_



B. What does the resurrection mean to me?

### The Future Resurrection

With Jesus Second Coming, God who raised Jesus from the dead will also raise us from the dead (2 Cor 4:14). Through the power of the Holy Spirit, our physical body will resurrect and be transformed into a spiritual body that is powerful, glorious and immortal (1 Cor 6:14).



### Resurrection into a New Creation

When we are baptized, our body of sin dies and is buried. When we rise out of the water, we resurrect into a new creation in the likeness of Christ.

# 2. STRENGTHENING OUR FAITH MUSCLES

1. In which areas do you need to train your faith muscles?

2. What good things can come from the training?

3. What steps can you take to help you become stronger?



# Resurrection Bingo






## E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 3—Elijah Restores a Boy to Life through God's Power

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### Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (1 Corinthians 6:14)

\_\_\_\_\_

### True or False

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Resurrection is when the soul of a dead person returns to his physical body and he lives forever afterwards.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ When we are baptized, our old self dies and our soul then resurrects to be a new creation in Christ.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ The Spirit that raised Jesus up from the dead is different from the one that lives in us today.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Those who are under God's grace and blessings will not face trials and afflictions.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ We face trials so that our faith and trust in God will grow and so that we can become more perfect.

### Short Answer

6. Name three people who resurrected in the Bible.
  
7. What does the resurrection of Jesus mean to you today?
  
8. How did the experience of praying for the dead boy help prepare Elijah for his future trials?
  
9. Miracles are only a prayer away. Share a time when you had a difficult problem that was solved through prayer.

## LESSON 4

# ELIJAH CHALLENGES THE PROPHETS OF BAAL ON MT. CARMEL

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: A Day of Victory at Mount Carmel with Elijah
- Life Application Worksheet #1: Truly Knowing God!
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Taking a Stand for God
- Homework

## A Day of Victory at Mount Carmel with Elijah

*Let's imagine that we are all up on Mt. Carmel right now.*

“So Ahab sent for all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together on Mount Carmel. And Elijah came to all the people, and said, ‘How long will you falter between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him.’ But the people answered him not a word” (1 Kgs 18:20-21).

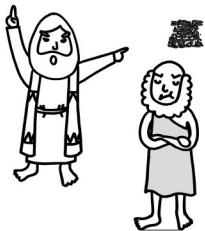
Elijah opened with a powerful question: “How long will you falter between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him.” The Bible tells us, “The people answered him not a word.”

**When Elijah asked the Israelites how long they would keep going back and forth between idols and God, they didn't know how to respond. It is dangerous to be indecisive when choosing whom to worship.**

Let's go through all the steps to see how God showed Himself to be the strongest at the end.

Step  
1

We need to clarify whom we need to w\_\_\_\_\_ : God or Baal?



Elijah proposed to prepare a s\_\_\_\_\_. He allowed the prophets of Baal to choose one of two available bulls. Elijah would use the other. The prophets would prepare the animal and place it on the altar. But they were not to put fire under it. This was the key. Fire was needed to make a burnt offering and this was the real test to see who was the true God.

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A p\_\_\_\_\_ contest! Elijah told the prophets to call on Baal; he would call on the Lord. So, the challenge began!

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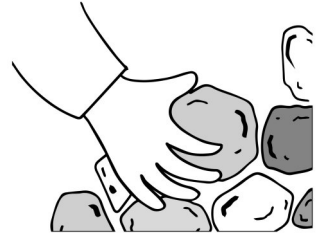


The false prophets' god did not a\_\_\_\_\_. There was no voice.

“So they took the bull which was given them, and they prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even till noon, saying, ‘O Baal, hear us!’ But there was no voice; no one answered. Then they leaped about the altar that they had made. And so it was, at noon, that Elijah mocked them and said, ‘Cry aloud, for he is a god; either he is meditating, or he is busy, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is sleeping and must be awakened.’ So they cried aloud, and cut themselves, as was their custom, with knives and lances, until the blood gushed out on them. And when midday was past, they prophesied until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice. But there was no voice; no one answered, no one paid attention” (vv. 26-29).

Step  
5

Elijah r\_\_\_\_\_ the broken-down a\_\_\_\_\_ of God (vv. 30-31).



Step  
6

Elijah d\_\_\_\_\_ a trench around the altar (v. 32).

Step  
7

He had the people drench the altar with w\_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 33-35).



Step  
8

Elijah's p\_\_\_\_\_ and effective prayer



“Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that You are G\_\_\_\_\_ in Israel and I am Your servant, and that I have done all these things at Your word. H\_\_\_\_\_ me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that You are the L\_\_\_\_\_ G\_\_\_\_\_, and that You have turned their h\_\_\_\_\_ back to You again” (vv. 36-37).



God's f\_\_\_\_\_ f\_\_\_\_\_ and consumed the burnt sacrifice. It fell down from heaven; the fire didn't come from the altar (v. 38).

Step  
9

Step  
10

The people's hearts t\_\_\_\_\_ b\_\_\_\_\_ and worshipped the one t\_\_\_\_\_ God (v. 39). In reverence for God and in astonishment at the fire, they “fell on their faces” at the sight of God's power and worshipped Him.



Elijah s\_\_\_\_\_ the false prophets and k\_\_\_\_\_ t\_\_\_\_\_ all at the Brook Kishon.

Step  
11

**Conclusion**

God revealed Himself strong and the people returned to the Lord!

## TRULY KNOWING GOD!

### 1. God wants us to know Him and be aware of the gods of our culture so that we can make decisions in times of confrontation.

How important is it to know God? Our lives depend on it. Jesus said in John 17:3, "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent."

Exodus 20:3 also states, "You shall have no other \_\_\_\_\_ before \_\_\_\_\_."

A. Why would it be foolish to live as if there were no God?

Read Psalm 53:1.

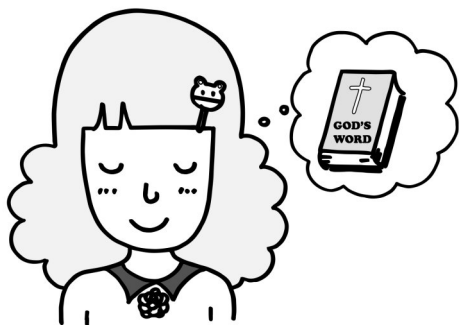
B. In today's age, what gods do people worship? Do we worship idols in this country?

#### Scenario

Sitting at the lunch table surrounded by his friends, Jacob looked around. They excitedly shared their tips and tricks for playing the latest video games and talked about how they couldn't believe what had happened in last week's episode of the show they were all watching. Jacob looked down at his sandwich and thought, "They always talk about these things every single day! I don't play the latest games, and I don't watch that show. I feel so left out!" Grudgingly eating his sandwich, Jacob remembered how he had learned about the idols of the world in RE class recently. A light bulb suddenly lit up in his head. "What if... those games and that TV show... are their idols?" Even though Jacob felt left out at times, he knew that it was good that he didn't follow his friends in worshipping those idols. He wanted to be like Elijah and follow the true God. As he walked home that day, instead of being upset, Jacob eagerly thought about learning the word of God so that he could draw closer to Him. Entering the door, Jacob exclaimed, "I'm home, Mom! Are you free to read the Bible with me?" With a smile on her face and a Bible in hand, his mother soon appeared, and together, they read the story of Elijah on Mount Carmel. After reading, they prayed together. Feeling refreshed, Jacob thought, "Wow, why didn't I ever think of reading the Bible after school before?" After that day, Jacob was determined to read the Bible as often as he could and to draw close to God.



### 2. We need to confront what is right and wrong.



#### Scenario

"Come on, Maria, hurry up!" Waiting just off school grounds, Maria's friends motioned to her. All of Maria's friends had decided that it would be fun to go to the nearby convenience store to get a snack for lunch, but it was against school rules to leave during school hours. "No one's going to get hurt, so why does it matter?" Maria's friends reasoned. But Maria still knew that it was wrong. She knew that the rules had been put there to keep them safe. Maria had always been known as the "good girl," and she didn't want her friends to make fun of her again. Still... Maria closed her eyes and said a silent prayer in her heart. Asking God for strength, she determined not to let her friends pressure her into doing the wrong thing. With a firm voice, Maria politely declined. "No, I don't want to go

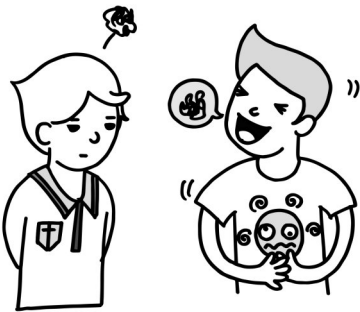
with you guys." Her friends shook their heads and snickered. "We knew you were going to say no... you're never any fun. This is the last time we'll ever ask you to join us for anything!" Watching them leave, frozen by the stinging of her friends' words, Maria felt more alone than ever. But in her heart, Maria knew that she was never alone. She'd rather stand alone on the right side, God's side, than with others on the wrong side. Knowing that she had made the right choice, Maria smiled and quietly recited some verses as she went to get lunch.

## TAKING A STAND FOR GOD

**Scenario A**

It was Christmas time and Nicole's friends had planned a Christmas party where they would play "Secret Santa," which required each person to buy a present for another secretly. Nicole knew that Christmas had pagan origins and that the Bible did not tell us to celebrate Christmas, but she didn't want to risk losing her friends or becoming a social outcast!

- What were the peer pressures Nicole faced?
- How could Nicole make a stand for God?

**Scenario B**

Matt's friends at school were always making dirty jokes at school to make fun of their teachers or other classmates. He knew that the jokes they were making were not nice and could hurt others, but Matt was afraid that if he didn't laugh along with them and join in, then they would think he was a boring, uptight person.

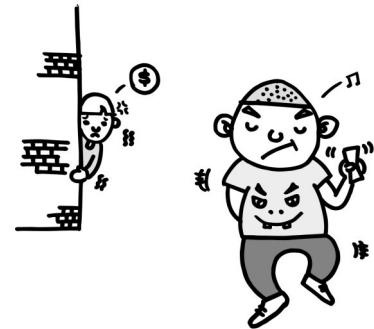
- How could Matt make a stand for God?
- Have you ever experienced the same situation as Matt? If so, how did you respond?

## ELIJAH'S POWERFUL PRAYER

**Scenario A**

Oscar was fearful every time he went to school. He knew that the moment he stepped into school, Roger would grab him and take his lunch money. Oscar had tried praying about this, but felt as if his prayers had no power... One day, Oscar told his RE teacher about his problem, and his RE teacher told him that it was very serious and that he should tell his parents and schoolteacher. But his RE teacher also told him that they could also pray together for this challenge. And guess what? God came through for Oscar. When they all prayed for this matter, God heard their cry! The following week, the teacher caught Roger in the act of bullying and the school officials disciplined him. Our God is truly a mighty God who knows our fears, and He is there for us.

- What did Oscar pray about in his prayer?
- Do you have a teacher or friends that you can pray together with about important matters? Please list them out and thank God!

**Scenario B**

Over a year ago, Vicky's dad lost his job. For an entire year, every night, Vicky's parents would bring her and her little brother together to pray at night. They would always pray for God to provide for their family and to help their dad find a job, among other prayer requests. After a year, Vicky's dad finally found a new job! Thank God!! It was one of the happiest days of Vicky's life. God had provided!

- How do you think Vicky felt when she was praying for the same thing over and over again for a year without any answer?
- Have you ever prayed a long time for something? What was it?



E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 3—Elijah Challenges the Prophets of Baal on Mt. Carmel

# Homework Assignment

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## What I Learned from the Bible This Week

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 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (**Proverbs 15:29**)

\_\_\_\_\_

### True or False

1. Queen Jezebel had killed all of the Lord's prophets and only Elijah was alive. \_\_\_\_\_
2. After the prophets of Baal cut themselves, Baal answered by sending down fire. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The people of Israel turned back to God after witnessing God's great power and realizing that He was the true God. \_\_\_\_\_

### Short Answer

4. Before praying to God, what steps did Elijah take to prepare the altar?
5. When did God end the drought?
6. What was Elijah's challenge to the prophets of Baal to show who was the real god?
7. Write down one way you can stand up for God in school this week.
8. How do we know our God is real today? List out three ways in your life when God has let you know that He is real.

# LESSON 5

## ELIJAH FLEES FOR HIS LIFE

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: Elijah Flees for His Life
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: What Are the Roots of Elijah's Fear?
- Life Application Worksheet #1: God Can Help Us Overcome Our Fears
- Life Application Worksheet #2: How Can We Trust in God and Rely on Him?
- Homework



## ELIJAH FLEES FOR HIS LIFE

1. What did Queen Jezebel promise to do to Elijah?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Who was Elijah running away from? Where did Elijah flee to?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What did Elijah pray for while under the broom tree?

"It is \_\_\_\_\_! Now, Lord, \_\_\_\_\_, for I am \_\_\_\_\_  
than my \_\_\_\_\_!"

4. What did the angel feed Elijah?

"Then he looked, and there by his head was a \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, and a  
\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. So he \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ again."

5. Which of these was God not in when He spoke to Elijah on the mountain? Check all that apply.

Great wind                       Earthquake                       Rainstorm  
 Fire                                       Still small voice

6. What did Elijah say to God when God asked him why he was at Mt. Horeb?

He said, "I have been very \_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord God of hosts; for the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
have \_\_\_\_\_ Your \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Your \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_  
Your \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_. I \_\_\_\_\_ am \_\_\_\_\_; and they \_\_\_\_\_ to take  
my \_\_\_\_\_."

7. What did God tell Elijah about the people He had reserved?

"Yet I have \_\_\_\_\_ in Israel, all whose \_\_\_\_\_ have not \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_, and every \_\_\_\_\_ that has not \_\_\_\_\_."



# What are the roots of Elijah's Fear?

Elijah had waited three and a half years for one glorious day of triumph on Mount Carmel in order to turn the people back to worship God—and now he was afraid of Queen Jezebel's threat.

Let see the progression of his path. **Fill in the blanks.**

1. Read verse 3: "And when he saw that, he \_\_\_\_\_ and ran for his \_\_\_\_\_ [...] and left his servant there."

He wants to  
**ESCAPE**

He wants to  
**DIE**

2. Read verse 4: "And he prayed that he might die, and said, 'It is enough! Now, Lord, take my \_\_\_\_\_.'"

God's solution  
for **Fear**  
and **Despair**

3. Read the second part of verse 4:  
"For I am no better than my fathers!"

He is having  
**Self  
Pity**

God is a God of care and compassion.

1. Read verse 8: "So he arose, and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_; and he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights as far as Horeb, the mountain of God."

2. God confronted Elijah

In verses 9-10, God asked Elijah, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" How did he reply?

Read verse 10: "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts [...] I \_\_\_\_\_ am left; and they seek to take my life."

3. God came in the still small voice

Read verses 11-12.

God wanted to remind Elijah that HE was God, and that Elijah was not to be ruled by fear and despair. He was teaching Elijah two very important teachings:

A. God is a full of \_\_\_\_\_.

B. God is a \_\_\_\_\_ God—full of mercy and peace.

4. God wanted Elijah to help \_\_\_\_\_ in need

Read verses 15-16.

## GOD CAN HELP US OVERCOME OUR FEARS.

1. What are you afraid of and why?
2. Can God help you with your fears?
3. How can God help you with your fears?

**Instructions:** Read the scenarios and answers questions 2 and 3.

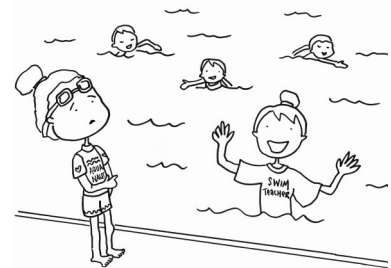
### Scenario 1

Colin's friend sat at the top of the jungle gym. "Hey, Colin! Up here!" Colin looked up and saw his friend motioning him to go up. "Um... I don't know... I'm kind of tired and don't feel like climbing." Colin had always been afraid of heights, but none of his friends knew this until the school recently built a new jungle gym. Now, all of his friends played on it, and Colin always made excuses to avoid having to go up. Colin's friend was confused, "What? Tired? But I just saw you running around earlier during the break!" This time, Colin knew that his friend didn't believe him. "You're not afraid of heights, are you, Colin?" Colin didn't know how to respond. He didn't want his friend to laugh at him, but he also didn't want to climb the jungle gym. Colin stood there for a while, thinking to himself. "Hey! Hello? Colin? Are you listening?" His friend interrupted his thoughts. "I said that it's OK if you don't want to come up here. But I still think that once you come up here, you'll see that it's not that scary!" At this point, Colin thought back to Moses. Moses had to climb a mountain to go meet with God, but Moses wasn't scared at all! Moses knew that God was with him the entire time. If Moses could do it, then he could also do it! "God, please help me find the strength to overcome my fear of heights," Colin prayed silently to himself. After the prayer, Colin grabbed the lowest bar and started climbing, and before he knew it, he was enjoying a view of the entire playground from the top of the jungle gym.



### Scenario 2

"OK, put your feet in the water first, and then slide into the pool." All of Stacy's friends knew how to swim, so Stacy had told her parents that she wanted to learn how to swim, too. However, now she was having second thoughts. She was afraid of going into the water and not being able to swim. What if she couldn't keep her head above the water? "It's OK, Stacy. I'm here for you. Nothing bad will happen to you." Her swimming instructor sounded so reassuring. With those words, Stacy was brought back to RE class. How many times had she learned that God was with His people, that He would always take care of them? God was with Elijah in the wilderness when he was running away from Jezebel. God was also with her as she faced her fears. Stacy closed her eyes for a few seconds and said a silent prayer. "God, I'm scared. The pool looks so deep, and I've never swum before. Please help me overcome my fear by helping me remember that everything is in Your hands. Thank You for taking care of me, just as you took care of Elijah! Amen." Stacy opened her eyes and confidently slid into the pool.



### Scenario 3

Aaron stared at his feet, the paper shaking in his fingers. He could feel everyone in the classroom staring at him. "Anytime, Aaron," smiled Mrs. Larson. Without looking up, Aaron began to read slowly. "In 1776..." Aaron's voice trailed off. "I'm sorry, Aaron. Can you speak louder? I can barely hear you." Aaron knew that Mrs. Larson had said something, but he was too nervous to hear. I can't do this! I can't do this! The only thought running through Aaron's mind was running away. I don't care if I get a bad grade. I can't do this. It's too hard! So many people are looking at me right now! "Aaron? Are you OK?" Mrs. Larson placed her hand on Aaron's shoulder. Startled, Aaron jumped back. "Oh, uh... um..." Aaron couldn't find the words. "It's OK, Aaron," reassured Mrs. Larson. "Just close your eyes and think of something that gives you calmness and safety." Aaron closed his eyes and started praying silently. "Please, God, help me! I can't do this. I'm too scared." As Aaron continued praying, he suddenly remembered God's encouragement to Joshua: "Be strong and of good courage, for God is with you wherever you go." Aaron suddenly didn't feel so terrified anymore. He wasn't alone up there; God was with him!



### How can we trust in God and rely on Him?

**Instructions:** In your groups, read the following two cases, and then discuss the questions for each case. Write down your answers.

Case 1

One day, Jake's friends invited him to watch a movie. They were going to watch a horror movie. The movie scared Jake. That evening, he could not sleep at night. He could not sleep the next night, or the night after. In fact, Jake was so scared that he could not sleep for the entire week. Jake tried using a nightlight, but he was still scared.



1. You are a True Jesus Church member and Jake's friend. What will you do to help Jake with his fear?
2. If you were Jake, what will you do the next time your friends invite you to watch a horror movie?

What does relying on God mean? (Read Deuteronomy 31:6.)



Case 2

The reason Jake went to watch the horror movie with his friends was because he was having problems at home. Jake's dad lost his job six months ago. His dad has been searching for a new job without any luck. The family's savings are almost gone. This is causing a lot of strain in the household. Jake is afraid that his family will not be able to survive this tragedy.

1. How do you think Jake feels about his current situation?
2. If you were Jake, what can you do to help your family?



E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 5—Elijah Flees for His Life

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## What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (**Hebrews 13:6**)

\_\_\_\_\_

### Fill In the Blank

1. "So we may \_\_\_\_\_ say, 'The \_\_\_\_\_ is my \_\_\_\_\_; I will not \_\_\_\_\_. What can \_\_\_\_\_ do to \_\_\_\_\_?'" (Heb 13:6)
2. Elijah said, "I have been \_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord God, but now I am \_\_\_\_\_, and they want to \_\_\_\_\_ me."

### Multiple Choice

3. \_\_\_\_\_ : How did God communicate with Elijah?
  - a. Through the wind
  - b. Through the earthquake
  - c. Through the fire
  - d. Through the still small voice
4. \_\_\_\_\_ : How many people had God reserved who had not bowed down to Baal?
  - a. 450
  - b. 1,000
  - c. 7,000
  - d. 12,000

### Short Answer

5. How did God show that He was still with Elijah when Elijah was hiding at the broom tree? How did this strengthen Elijah?
6. How did God reassure Elijah when he was hiding on Horeb?
7. How can God help you overcome your fears?

## LESSON 6

# ELISHA RECEIVES A DOUBLE PORTION OF GOD'S SPIRIT

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: The Water Is Bad and the Land Is Unproductive... the Land Becomes Fruitful
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Elijah and Elisha Follow an Awesome God
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: I Need the Presence of God
- Homework



Elijah & Elisha  
follow an  
Awesome God!

The same God who supplied wisdom and power through Elijah also works in us. Each of the following sentences demonstrates God's amazing power and mercy!

Fill in the blanks by choosing words from the word bank.

feed fire spoke ravens dead oil earthquake wind voice tore multiplied

1. God commanded the \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ His servant.
2. On Mt. Carmel—God answered by \_\_\_\_\_.
3. In Zarephath, God \_\_\_\_\_ the flour and \_\_\_\_\_.
4. God can raise the \_\_\_\_\_.
5. God \_\_\_\_\_ the mountains with the \_\_\_\_\_ and shook them with the \_\_\_\_\_.
6. God \_\_\_\_\_ to Elijah with a still small \_\_\_\_\_.

According to Deuteronomy 21:15-17, it was common for firstborn children to receive a double portion of their father's estate. The Law of Moses mandated this.

Let's turn to verse 17 and fill in the blanks.

"But he shall acknowledge the son of the unloved wife as the firstborn by giving him a \_\_\_\_\_ of all that he has, for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn is his."

Elisha  
has the  
Right Spirit!

When Elisha asked for a double portion of Elijah's spirit, Elisha was asking for the right of the firstborn! He was asking for the same Spirit that had empowered Elijah to be given to him as well.

Elijah told Elisha that he had asked a "hard thing." In other words, it was beyond the power of Elijah to grant such a request. Only God, who is all-powerful and all-knowing, can grant it. What kind of spirit was Elisha asking for? Read the following verses and fill in the blanks.

### 1. A Spirit of Trusting in the Power of God

*Romans 15:13* "Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in \_\_\_\_\_, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

### 2. A Spirit of Courage to Stand for God Even in the Midst of Difficulty

*2 Timothy 1:7* "For God has \_\_\_\_\_ given us a spirit of \_\_\_\_\_, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."

### 3. A Spirit of Obeying God Command

*Philippians 2:8* "And being found in appearance as a man, He \_\_\_\_\_ Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross."



# I need the Presence of God

1. Elijah threw his mantle on Elisha.  
(1 Kgs 19:19b)



2. "Now Elijah took his mantle, rolled it up, and struck the water; and it was divided this way and that, so that the two of them crossed over on dry ground." (2 Kgs 2:8)



3. "That suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went by a whirlwind into heaven." (2 Kgs 2:11)



4. "He also took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood by the bank of the Jordan. Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, and said, 'Where is the Lord God of Elijah?' And when he also had struck the water, it was divided this way and that; and Elisha crossed over." (2 Kgs 2:13-14)



## What Can I Learn?

1. *Following God requires single-minded steadfastness and devotion. You should not be distracted by things in the world. It requires aligning our will to His. What are the things in the world?*

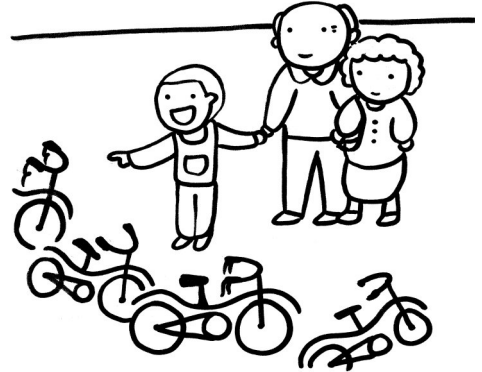
Turn to 1 John 2:16 and fill in the blanks below.

- a. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

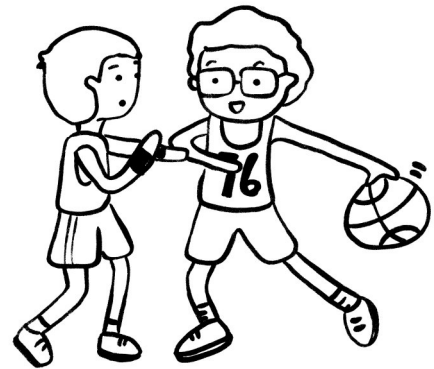
- A. Today, June's mother had baked a dozen cookies especially for her younger brother's birthday party. When June arrived home from school, her mother told her that she was not allowed to touch any of the cookies until after the party, which was three hours later. As time passed, June became hungry. She went down into the kitchen and saw the cookies sitting on the counter. It can't hurt if I eat just one, right? June thought to herself. As June reached for the cookie, she suddenly heard her mother's voice, which was filled with disappointment.



B. Every day, Jason's best friend would ride his shiny bike to school, a present he had received for his birthday last month. After school, Jason would always go home and complain to his parents, saying that he also needed a bike so that he could ride to school with Jason. "You already received your birthday present this year. You have to wait until next year to get a new bike." Jason's grandparents were visiting at the time, so he came up with a plan. He would tell them that he needed a bike for a school project. Jason's grandparents took him to the store to buy the bike, but just as he was about to choose which bike to buy, his parents called his grandparents. Jason could tell from the look in his grandfather's sad eyes that his parents had told them the truth about the bike.



C. Bruce and Luke had been best friends since first grade. They did everything together. Six years later, they were still best friends, but lately, Bruce had been acting more competitive during sports. "Beat you again, Luke!" Bruce yelled happily as he ran past the finish line. "Wow, you run as fast as a turtle walks!" Bruce's words stung, but Luke didn't say anything. He didn't want to lose his best friend. One day, Bruce and Luke's friends were playing basketball during lunch. "Wow, you're really bad at basketball, Luke! Too bad you can't be like me and be the best player on the team!" Without saying a word, Luke chucked the basketball at Bruce and stormed away. After that day, Luke stopped talking to Bruce, and Bruce didn't know how to fix it.



2. *Elisha had Elijah's mantle, the symbol of God's power and God's presence. We also need God's presence and His power. Why?*

- a. He is a \_\_\_\_\_ God. (1 Pet 5:7)
- b. He is a God who answers \_\_\_\_\_. (Mk 11:24)
- c. He \_\_\_\_\_ those who serve Him. (1 Tim 1:12)

E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 6—Elisha Receives a Double Portion of God's Spirit

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 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (**Matthew 7:7**)

\_\_\_\_\_

## Fill In the Blank

1. Elisha and Elijah's journey started in \_\_\_\_\_, then continued to \_\_\_\_\_, followed by \_\_\_\_\_, while finally ending at the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Elijah asked Elisha to stay behind \_\_\_\_\_ times, but Elisha always replied, "As the Lord lives, I will not \_\_\_\_\_ you!"

## Multiple Choice

3. \_\_\_\_\_ : Before Elijah was taken away, Elisha asked Elijah \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. To give him all his possessions and money
  - b. To anoint another prophet instead of Elisha
  - c. To stay
  - d. To grant him a double portion of his spirit
4. \_\_\_\_\_ : Elijah was taken up into heaven by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. A chariot of fire
  - b. A whirlwind
  - c. Horses of fire
  - d. Both A and C

## Short Answer

5. How did the sons of the prophets from Jericho know that the spirit of Elijah rested on Elisha?
6. How can we be like Elisha when praying for the Holy Spirit?

# LESSON 7

## ELISHA RAISES THE SHUNAMMITE WOMAN'S SON

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: God Works Miracles through Elisha
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2, Pages 1, 2, and 3: Powerful Prayers
- Life Application Worksheet #1: An Act of Kindness
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Rely On God in Times of Need
- Activity: What a Blessing!
- Homework

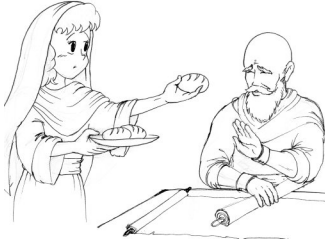
## GOD WORKS MIRACLES THROUGH ELISHA

**Instructions:** Using words from the word bank, fill in the blanks below.

more    sought    turn    son    blessed    stretched    Elisha    seven    opened    room

**1**

A remarkable relationship began when the woman \_\_\_\_\_ to do something for Elisha.



**2**

As often as Elisha passed by, he would \_\_\_\_\_ in there to eat some food.



**3**

The Shunammite woman then sought to do \_\_\_\_\_ for Elisha. She and her husband made a \_\_\_\_\_ for him. It contained a bed, a table, a chair, and a lampstand.



**4**

Elisha told the Shunammite woman that she will have a \_\_\_\_\_ at this time next year.



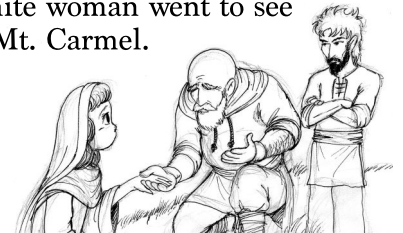
**5**

The barren Shunammite woman was \_\_\_\_\_ with a son.



**6**

The boy grew, but his head hurt so much that he died. The Shunammite woman went to see \_\_\_\_\_ at Mt. Carmel.



**7**

Elisha came into the room, lay on the child, and \_\_\_\_\_ himself out. The child sneezed \_\_\_\_\_ times.



**8**

And the child \_\_\_\_\_ his eyes. The Shunammite woman came in, fell at his feet, and bowed to the ground; then, she picked up her son with joy.



**Psalm 77:14**

"You are the God who does *wonders*; You have declared Your strength among the peoples."

# POWERFUL PRAYERS

**"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you." (Acts 1:8)**



Ask ... and you shall receive



Give ... and it will be given to you



Receive ... and give thanks to God

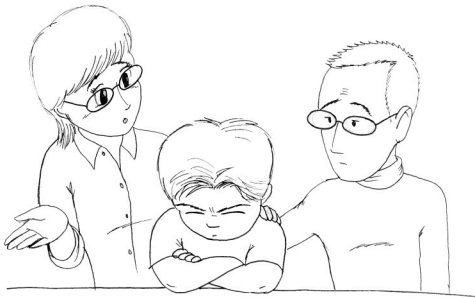
The power of prayer should not be underestimated because the power resides in God. 1 John 5:14 tells us, "Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us."

**1. We must pray in agreement with His will. That means our desires line up with His. When we pray according to God's will, God responds powerfully.**

**Which prayer is according to God's will?**

"Blake, honey, we have something to tell you." Blake looked at his parents sitting next to him on the sofa. "You know how your father has been trying to look for a better job? Well, he found one! And the house we're moving into is even closer to church than this house!" Blake's eyes brightened and just as he was about to say something, his mother continued. "But...it's on the other side of the country, and we will have to move in two months." Blake's eyes sunk, and he found himself staring at his hands. Noticing his change in demeanor, Blake's mom reassured him, "I know that you have a lot of friends here, and that you spent a lot of time decorating your room, but that doesn't mean you won't make a lot of new friends in your new school! And you can still talk to your old friends using your computer. You're not going to lose any of your friends; actually, you'll make even more friends! And all those decorations and things in your room? Of course we'll bring those with us! It'll be like the same exact room, just... in a different city!" Blake could tell that his mom was trying really hard to cheer him up, and he knew that his father had been working so hard at his current job. It was making his father really tired and sad every day, and he didn't want to see him like that anymore. He knew that God must have helped his father get this new job, and that it was God's will for them to move, even if it meant going to a completely new school and making new friends. Blake looked up at his mom. "Will I get to paint my new room the same way, too?" His mother replied, smiling, "You can paint it however you want!" That night, Blake knelt down to pray. "Dear God, thank You for blessing my father with this new job. I'm sad that I have to move, but I know that You always want what is best for us. It's going to be hard to say goodbye to all my friends. Please give me the strength to support my parents and to have complete faith in Your will. Amen."





"But I don't want to move! All my friends are here, and I like it here! I'm going to hate you both forever if you make us move!" Blake's father had just found a new job in a city clear across the country, but it required their family to move in two months time. This job had higher pay, better benefits, and it was in a nice neighborhood. What's better, their new house would be much closer to church than their current one! But Blake didn't want to hear it. He didn't want to move, and he made sure that his parents knew it. Ever since Blake's parents told him that they would be moving to a place far away, he stopped listening to them. "Blake, it's time for dinner! Come down!" Still fuming from their announcement, Blake ignored his mother, even though it was two weeks later. He knew that his mother would

leave dinner on the table for him, and he didn't care if he was acting badly. He believed his parents were being selfish. They don't care that I have so many friends here. They don't care that I like my room in this house. My parents don't care about me at all! Two weeks before they had to move, Blake still refused to help start packing. He even tried to block his parents from packing up his room. He was determined to make this move difficult for them. One day, Blake knelt down to pray about this matter. He thought that maybe God could help him. "Dear God, I know that You are a caring God and merciful God, so You want what's best for all of us. Well, God, I know what's best for me. Staying in this town with my friends in my room is the best for me. I can't imagine that there could be anything better than this! I know my parents can't see it right now, but God, can you please help change their minds so they can see the big mistake that they are making? Thank You! Amen."

## 2. We must pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests (Eph 6:18).

### A. Powerful prayer that overcomes sickness.

"Your husband may never walk again, Mrs. Banks." Penny overheard the doctor talking to her mother. Two days ago, her father had been in a devastating car accident, which injured most of his body. But she didn't know it was this bad until just now. She thought that doctors could heal everyone and make them 100% again. But it's clear that she was wrong.

For the next two years, Penny prayed every day before her parents woke up in the morning, in addition to their daily family prayers. Contrary to what the doctor said, it seemed like her father was getting better, but slowly. Neither her parents, the doctors, nor Penny were sure if her father would ever regain full control of his legs. Each morning, Penny knelt down to pray. "Dear God, thank You for blessing me with this loving family. Even though my father can't walk right now, he is still smiling every day and I always have fun sitting on his lap and giving him a hug. And my mother always encourages him when he does his physical therapy exercises! God, the doctors could not heal my father, but I know that You can. You are the Creator, and the One who has power and might. You healed a person in the Bible without even seeing that person! How great is Your mercy! If it is Your will, please help my father walk again. I know that he has complete faith in You, too. Thank You again for all the blessings You've given us. Amen."

"Let's go, Penny! The sun isn't going to wait for us!" Penny's father yelled from downstairs. They were going to the beach today! And her father promised that he would bring her into the ocean to let her play around a little bit! "OK! OK! Almost done!" Penny grabbed something and rushed out to the garage, where her parents were waiting. At the beach, Penny's mother set up a blanket and a beach umbrella, and then the time came. As Penny saw her father running towards the ocean, she closed her eyes and said, "Thank You, God, for giving my family this moment. Two years ago, the doctors told my mother that my father wouldn't walk anymore. But today, I have witnessed Your amazing mercy and might. Only You have the power to heal, and only You have power over everything: the birds, the air, the sea, everything. You are the God almighty. Amen." Then, she ran off after him.



### B. Powerful prayer that defeats demons.

"It happened again, Mom!" Addison's voice quivered as she recounted what had happened last night. "I was praying when suddenly, I felt a jab really hard in my side. I opened my eyes and looked around, but no one was there! I closed my eyes and continued praying, but it happened again! I was too scared to continue praying with my eyes closed, so I stopped and went to bed." Addison's mother had a concerned look on her face. "Addison, I think maybe a demon was trying to stop you from praying. We need to pray together about this as a family and cast it out. We can't let this demon win!" Addison gasped. "A demon? But I'm scared! What if the demon does something worse?" Addison asked. "Don't worry, Addison; God is on our side. Just have complete faith and pray to Him sincerely. He has power over demons and He can defeat them! We can even pray right now!"



Addison's mother called their family together, and as one, they started praying. In her prayer, Addison said, "Dear God, I'm really scared right now. I've never encountered demons before, but I keep feeling a mysterious jab in my side when I pray sometimes! And no one is ever there when I open my eyes! But I feel that something doesn't want me to pray to You! I know that You are an all-powerful God. In RE class, I have learned how You cast out demons from so many people in the Bible! May You please also help me overcome whatever it is that is bothering me when I pray. I know that only You have the power to help and only in Your name can demons be cast out. May all the glory be unto You. Amen." After the prayer, Addison felt comforted. The next day, when she began praying, she felt the jab again. Immediately, she yelled out, "Hallelujah! In the name of Jesus Christ, I cast you out!" After that, she never felt the jab again. Addison will always remember the day God helped her overcome the demon.

### C. Powerful prayer that requests for protection and peace.

"Boom! Crash! Pew pew!" Arthur and Andrew were playing with their toy tanks, while their parents were out getting dinner. Then, Andrew tilted his head to the side. "Did you hear that, Arthur? It sounds like something is coming from the kitchen, but Mom and Dad just left five minutes ago!" Andrew and Arthur tiptoed into the hallway overlooking the kitchen. To their shock, they found an intruder in their house looking through all the drawers. Panicked, Andrew and Arthur quickly ran to their room and locked the door. Arthur dialed the police and whispered their address and situation. Not long after, the policemen came and the intruder ran into the backyard. The police were able to catch him and put him in jail. However, Arthur and Andrew couldn't forget about what happened. Each night, they would stay awake with flashlights, too afraid to sleep. Each morning, their eyes would be red, they would be too tired to stay awake in school. Andrew and Arthur's parents installed new locks and windows, but that wasn't enough to comfort them. One day, they brought Andrew and Arthur together for a family talk. "Boys, we know that you're still scared about what happened, but God protected you both that day. Instead of going upstairs, the intruder stayed downstairs the entire time, trying to take things from the living room. God will always watch over us, but it is important that we also pray to Him when we need help. So, every day, let's come together to pray and give thanks for His protection and ask for His peace to abide in us, OK?" Andrew and Arthur nodded silently in agreement. They didn't want to lose another night of sleep. "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we pray." Their father started the prayer, and Andrew and Arthur each prayed for the same thing. "Dear God, thank You for protecting us from that intruder. We were terrified that something bad would happen to us. We thought we were alone, but now we know that we are never alone. You will always be standing on our side, protecting us. But even though we have faith in You, it's still a little hard for us to be at peace completely. We need wholehearted faith; we need to trust in you 100%. God, You are a compassionate God. I know that You want us to be in peace, too. Please help give us the strength and courage to overcome our fears and doubts, so that we can come to you in full faith and find the peace that is within You. Amen."

**The power of prayer should never be underestimated because it draws on the glory and might of the infinitely powerful God of the universe. Read Philippians 4:6.**



# An Act of Kindness

Quiet, shy, and always alone at school, Christine longs for friends at school, but doesn't have any because she doesn't have the courage to talk to any of her classmates.

One day, as Christine walked off the school bus to go home, she felt something brush her leg. Turning back, she saw that a classmate of hers, Vanessa, had a hole in her backpack, which caused everything inside to spill onto the bus floor. Christine immediately went back to help Vanessa, volunteering to put some of her things in her backpack while holding the rest. They managed to clean up everything quickly so that the cars waiting behind the bus didn't have to wait long.



Though Christine didn't say much on the way, she walked Vanessa home, helping her hold her things the entire way. She felt uncomfortable, but she knew that it was the right thing to do. However, Vanessa was very excited to make a new friend. She talked and talked, making Christine laugh often. Vanessa never knew that Christine was such a nice and kind person, but since that day, she talked to Christine more at school and included her in social activities. Time went by and the two became close friends, always walking home together. Even though Christine is still shy and quiet, she now has a very good friend to hang out with every day at school! God knew that Christine didn't have any friends, so He gave her one in reward for her kindness. Praise God!

## Reflection Questions

1. **How did God reward Christine for her act of kindness? What can we expect from God if we're kind to those who are around us?**
2. **Share a time when you showed kindness to someone around you.**
3. **What do you plan to do from now on in order to show more kindness to your family members and to your friends at school?**

# Rely on God in Times of Need

One day, I was in the kitchen of our newly-purchased house, cooking a pot of macaroni when the doorbell rang. I went to the front door and saw that one of my aunts and her family had come to visit us. Keen to see them, I went out to the front porch to greet them. Suddenly, there was a strong gust of wind, and I heard the front door slam behind me! When I realized that I did not have the door key with me, I began to panic. The gas stove was on high heat in order to cook the pot of macaroni, and my three-year-old son was in a nearby room playing. What if all the water in the pot evaporated? What if my son decided to venture into the kitchen? I dared not to think of the consequences.

Hurriedly, my guests and I made numerous attempts to get into the house but we were unsuccessful.

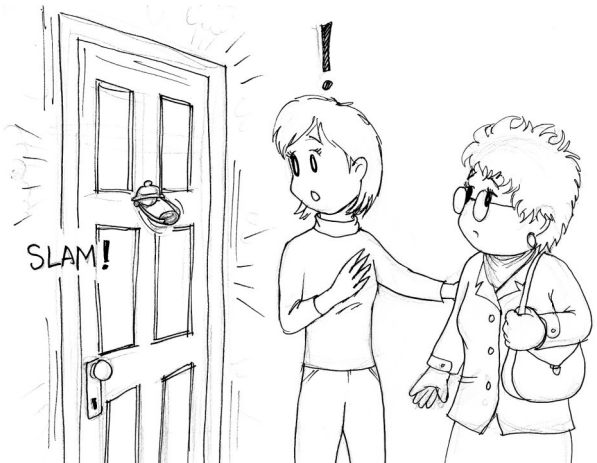
When it seemed as if I could do nothing more, I decided to pray to God. Once again, my gracious Lord did not turn away from my pleas.

At this crucial moment, the previous owner of the house happened to be in the neighborhood and stopped by to inform us that she still owed us a set of door keys. When she learned of my plight, she rushed home to get me that spare set of keys. With this key, I was able to enter the house and quickly switch off the gas stove. Thank God, the water in the pot had not evaporated, and my son was unharmed.

May all glory be given unto the Lord.

## Reflection Questions

1. What made the person in this testimony panic?
2. What did she do after making numerous attempts to get into the house without success?
3. Did God answer her prayer? How?




## WHAT A BLESSING!


To find out how Elisha helped a family, read 2 Kings 4:8-10, 17-22, and 32-37. Then read the sentences below. The sketch in each blank resembles a letter of the alphabet. Can you guess which letters they are? Then, think of a word suggested by the sketches that fit the corresponding blanks.

1. A well-to-do woman asked Elisha to stay for a


\_\_\_\_\_  (v. 8).


2. The woman and her husband made a room on the roof and put in it a bed, a table, a

\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_, and a lamp for Elisha (v. 10).



3. The woman gave birth to a \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 17).

4. The boy sat on his mother's lap until


\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ and then died (v. 20).


5. When Elisha reached the \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_, the boy was lying dead on his couch (v. 32).

6. Elisha laid upon the boy, mouth to mouth,

 \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ to eyes, hands to hands (v. 34).

7. The boy \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ seven times and opened his eyes (v. 35).

8. Elisha said to Gehazi, "\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ the Shunammite" (v. 36).

9. When Elisha told the woman to take her son, she fell at his \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 37).

## E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 7—Elisha Raises the Shunammite Woman's Son

# Homework Assignment

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**Weekly Bible Reading:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Prayer:** Check each box after you pray to God that day.

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Read							
Pray							

### What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

### Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (1 John 3:18)

\_\_\_\_\_

### Multiple Choice

1. \_\_\_\_\_: The Shunammite couple wanted to build Elisha a room because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Elisha had asked for it.
  - b. They knew that Elisha was a man of God and they wanted to do something for him.
  - c. They wanted to make some money by renting out a room to Elisha.
2. \_\_\_\_\_: In order to thank the Shunammite couple, Elisha \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Offered to ask a favor from the king or commander of the army for them
  - b. Prayed for their dead son
  - c. Gave them some money and gifts
3. \_\_\_\_\_: When Elisha saw the dead boy, he \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Prayed for him and stretched himself out on him
  - b. Put his hand on the boy's head
  - c. Told the boy to sneeze seven times

### Short Answer

4. Explain why Elisha had the power to raise the Shunammite woman's son from the dead.
  
  
  
5. What did you learn about the power of prayer and the power of God from this lesson?

## LESSON 8

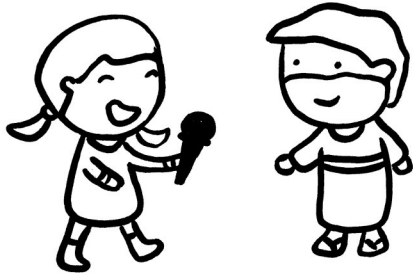
# GOD'S ARMY PROTECTS ELISHA AND HIS SERVANT

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1, Pages 1 and 2: An Interview with Elisha
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: God Is In Control
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: Elisha Demonstrates God's Power
- Homework

# AN INTERVIEW WITH ELISHA

God is in control. He is watching over us and He has an invisible army! (2 Kings 6)



**Reporter:** Hi, Elisha. We heard that the nation of Syria was always at war with Israel. Yet, every time they would move their army somewhere, God would tell you. Is that correct?

**Elisha:** Yes, God would tell me so Israel would win over and over again.

**Reporter:** So when Syria's king learned that it was you who was giving away his plans, he sent an army to get you.

**Elisha:** That's right. One morning, my servant went outside and saw that we were surrounded by enemy troops.

**Reporter:** What was his reaction?

**Elisha:** He asked me, "What are we going to do?" And I told him, (fill in the blanks by looking up verse 16) " \_\_\_\_\_ " and I prayed, (verse 17) " \_\_\_\_\_ ".

**Reporter:** What did he see?

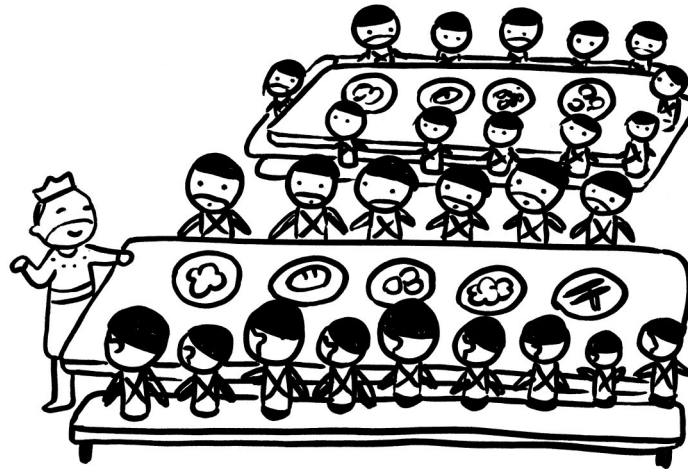
**Elisha:** You'd be amazed! The mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around me! I was not afraid. So, when the Syrians came down to me, I prayed to God, (verse 18) " \_\_\_\_\_ ".

And I said to them, "Follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom you seek." And I led them to Samaria and the Lord opened their eyes."



**Reporter:** This is amazing guidance and protection from God, without ever firing a shot at them. So what happened?

**Elisha:** When the king of Israel saw them, he asked me if he should kill them. And I told him not to. I simply told him to set food and water before them, so the king prepared a feast and then sent them away. So, the bands of Syrian raiders came no more in the land of Israel.



**Reporter:** So what can we all learn from this?

**Elisha:** Well, there are four things that we can learn.

**Instructions:** Fill in the blanks by using the words in the word bank.

protects    invisible    spiritual    blind    good    righteous

God always \_\_\_\_\_ those who follow His commandments! We have an \_\_\_\_\_ spiritual protection, who is our God.

We need to pray and ask God to open our \_\_\_\_\_ eyes. When a person is \_\_\_\_\_ to spiritual matters, only God can open the eyes.

God answers the prayer of the " \_\_\_\_\_ ".

(1 Peter 3:12)

Repay "no one evil for \_\_\_\_\_"  
(Rom 12:21)

"Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with \_\_\_\_\_."



GOD  
IS = = IN  
CONTROL

THERE IS  
NOTHING  
TOO DIFFICULT  
FOR GOD.

**Instructions:** Turn to the following verses and read them, and then discuss the questions within your group.

**1. Matthew 19:26**

Is there anything impossible with God?

**2. Psalm 22:28**

Each nation has its own authorities. But who rules over all nations?

**3. Jeremiah 32:27**

Is there anything God cannot do? If so, list them.

**4. Proverbs 16:33**

Who makes every decision in our lives?

**5. Isaiah 45:6-7**

Who makes everything around us happen? List some examples.



# ELISHA DEMONSTRATES GOD'S POWER!



"Are we there yet?" Meredith's family was finally taking a road trip to visit different national parks! She had been planning for this trip for a long time, choosing which areas to visit and which places to stay at. However, when they finally set off on the trip, they ran into bad weather. The sound of the rain falling on the windshield sounded frightening, and yet soothing. Before she knew it, Meredith had fallen asleep. Then, a quick jerk forward and Meredith's eyes shot wide open. What was happening? In an instant, everything was spinning in front of her eyes, and she realized that it wasn't the world that was spinning, it was their car! Suddenly, she heard her father shout, "Hallelujah!" from the driver's seat and heard her mother pray loudly in the front passenger seat. Her younger brother, who had also been asleep next to her, looked at her with terror in his eyes, and she grabbed his hands, closed her eyes, and started praying with her mother. It seemed like forever before it happened, but the car finally came to a rest. Meredith didn't dare to open her eyes. "Is everyone OK?" Her father sounded both worried and relieved. "It's OK. We're OK. No one hit us. I braked hard to avoid hitting the car in front of me and the car spun out of control. But we're OK now. Thank God. Let's all say a prayer to thank God for His unfailing protection."

## • How could Meredith feel God's unfailing protection?



Landon had always enjoyed playing the most popular shooting games, which were usually violent and bloody. He didn't think that it was a problem because video games weren't real. He was just shooting the bad guys in the game; no one was getting hurt. But slowly, he started becoming addicted to these games and to violent movies. If there wasn't any violence, then it wasn't interesting to him. He started playing even more violent games, and spent more time playing games than doing homework,

reading the Bible, and praying. When his parents told him that he needed to limit his time, he'd yell at them. This went on for a while. But then one day, his mother came into his room and told him to start doing his homework. She politely asked him to turn off his video games, but he ignored her and kept playing. Then, she went over to turn off the system for him. As soon as she pressed the power button, Landon ran at her and pushed her really hard. She stumbled backwards a bit, but was otherwise fine. Landon didn't know what had come over him. "Mom, I'm sorry..." Landon's mother looked at him with sadness in her eyes and walked away without saying a word. That night, as he passed by his parents' room, he could hear her crying behind the doors and talking to his father about what he had done. Landon now saw what kind of influence these games had on him, and he did not like who he had become. Before going to bed, Landon prayed to God. "God, I am sorry for what I did. I am sorry that I didn't know how bad it was. And...thank You for opening my eyes to see the truth."

## • How were Landon's eyes opened to the truth?

Kaley used to enjoy going to school every day, but recently, she found it difficult to get out of bed and on to the school bus. Janet, a classmate of Kaley's, had started bullying her, and Kaley didn't even know why. They used to be good friends until a new girl came to their school and started telling Janet that Kaley was "uncool" and "boring." After that, not only would Janet refuse to hang out with Kaley, she would also call Kaley horrible names every day. Once, as Kaley was walking in the cafeteria with her food tray, Janet walked up to her and flipped the tray into Kaley's face. The food was all over Kaley's clothes. When Kaley's mother asked her what had happened, Kaley simply said that she had tripped in the cafeteria. Instances like this continued for a few months. Then, one day at school, Kaley found Janet sitting in the corner at the end of the hallway, crying. Looking at Janet, Kaley suddenly thought about all the times that Janet had made her cry. However, instead of smiling and ignoring Janet, Kaley walked up to her. "Janet, what's wrong? Can I help?" Kaley asked softly. Janet looked up and couldn't believe who was talking to her. "Why are you being so nice to me, Kaley? I've been so mean to you the past few months," said Janet, tearfully. "Yeah, you hurt my feelings a lot, but that doesn't mean I stopped caring. We used to be good friends, and I don't think you're a bad person." Kaley extended her hand to Janet, and together, the two of them walked down the hallway.

• **How did Kaley show love to her enemy?**



E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 8—God's Army Protects Elisha and His Servant

# Homework Assignment

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## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (Psalm 121:2)

\_\_\_\_\_

## Multiple Choice

1. \_\_\_\_\_ : The king of Syria was angry because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. He found a spy in his army.
  - b. The Israelite army always seemed to know where he planned to attack.
  - c. The Israelite army defeated him.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ : When Elisha saw the Syrian army, he \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Ran to the wilderness
  - b. Was not afraid because an army of God's angels was on his side
  - c. Prayed to God for wisdom to know how to escape from them
3. \_\_\_\_\_ : When the Syrian army was led to Samaria, Elisha \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Told the king to feed them
  - b. Had them killed
  - c. Threatened the king of Syria so that he would never attack Israel again

## Short Answer

4. Why was Elisha's servant so afraid when he saw the Syrian army?
5. Why was Elisha not afraid when he saw the Syrian army?
6. Share a time when you felt God's protection.

# LESSON 9

## NEHEMIAH REBUILDS THE WALL

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: Understanding Nehemiah's Prayer
- Life Application Worksheet #1: I Can Help, Too!
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Reach Out
- Activity: Nehemiah's Interview
- Homework

Nehemiah was an ordinary person in a unique position. He was serving the Persian King Artaxerxes as a faithful cupbearer. He was trusted by the king to go back to the people with their spiritual needs.

# understanding NEHEMIAH'S Prayer

From the very beginning, Nehemiah was concerned about Jerusalem because it was the holy city. It represented Jewish national identity. Nehemiah loved his homeland, so he prayed for God's help. He is indeed a prayerful man of character and perseverance. He prayed anytime and anywhere. The Book of Nehemiah records a total of eight of his prayers. He had an intimate relationship with God. If we want to reach God with our prayers, we need to take the time to cultivate a strong relationship with God through in-depth prayer.



After receiving the bad news about the condition of Jerusalem, Nehemiah was deeply grieved. Immediately, he poured out his heart to God and asked God for ways to improve the situation. He fasted and prayed for several days, expressing his sorrow for Israel's sin and his desire that Jerusalem come together again to worship the one true God.

Let's study how Nehemiah used prayer to help him overcome difficulties. His prayer contained many important elements that we should strive to include in our prayers! After reading Nehemiah 1:5-11, write down the verses that correspond to the different elements of a complete prayer.


**His prayer demonstrated the elements of effective prayer. They are:**

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<p style="text-align: center;">③</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Remembering GOD'S Faithfulness</p> <p>Verse _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">④</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Specific Request for God's mercy &amp; To PROSPER in all that he does</p> <p>Verse _____</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">⑤</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Commitment</p> <p>Verse _____</p>	

**Questions to Think About**

- How often do you pour out your heart to God?
- How often do you give Him a specific request to answer?

# I can HELP, too!



Put a check mark by one person you would like to help.

Then, create a plan detailing how you can help that person. Use the questions below to help you plan.

- \_\_\_\_\_ An elderly neighbor who is always home by herself/himself.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A homeless person who needs food.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A student who is often absent from Religious Education classes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ An elderly person who needs help to buy food and do things around the house.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A sick friend who needs help.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other: Please specify \_\_\_\_\_



Who do you know who needs help? \_\_\_\_\_

What can you plan to do this week to help and encourage that person?



1. How do I want to help this person?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What will I need in order to help?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. How can I get what I need?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. How long will my plan take?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. What problems could I face?

\_\_\_\_\_

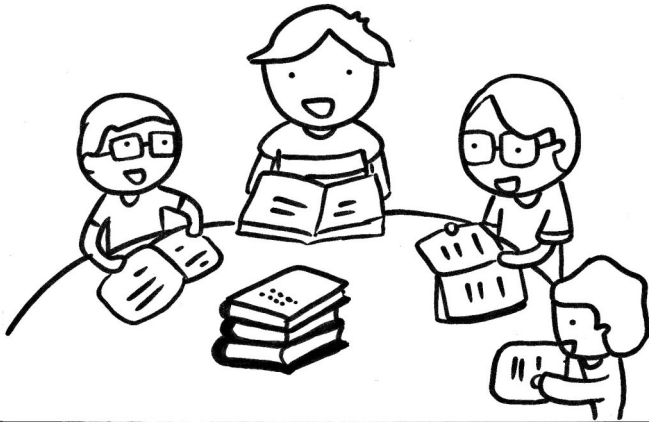
6. How will I overcome these problems?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. How will I know when I've succeeded?

\_\_\_\_\_

## REACH OUT



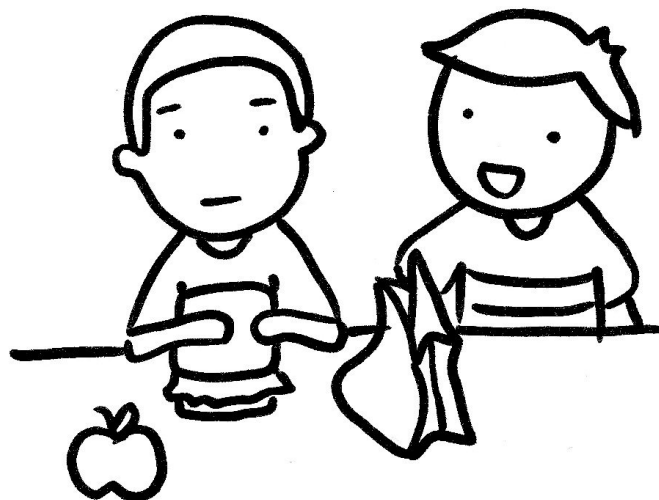
For the past few weeks, Peter and his friends have been staying after school almost every single weekday to study together for their final exam this year. Each time, they come up with questions at the end to test each other on what they have just studied. Peter noticed that Stephen, however, hasn't been showing up for the past few days. Everyone thought that Stephen was no longer interested in studying with them, and they didn't bother asking him to join them again. Nonetheless, Peter decided to take a step further and see if everything was okay with Stephen. By paying more attention, Peter realized that Stephen hasn't

been very happy at school lately. During lunchtime, he always sits by himself to eat. He also frantically leaves the school every day as soon as the bell rings.

One day, Peter went over to where Stephen was sitting by himself to eat during lunchtime, and he sat down next to Stephen. He said to him, "Stephen, is everything okay? You don't seem very happy lately. You've been missing every day after school and we miss you!" Stephen answered, "Hmm, I'm okay..." Peter knew that something was wrong. He said, "Well, I won't force you to say anything. But just letting you know that if you need somebody to talk to, I'm here for you!" Stephen thought for a moment and he finally opened up to Peter. He said to Peter, "My dad's been in the hospital. My whole family is very worried. I can't stay after school to study with you all anymore because my mom needs me to go home and take care of my little brother while she is in the hospital with my dad. I'm very worried about him, too!"

### Question

- What would you say to Stephen if you were Peter?



## NEHEMIAH'S INTERVIEW

**Reporter:** Nehemiah, we would like to ask you a few questions.

**Nehemiah:** I would be glad to answer them.

**Reporter:** What made you look so upset while serving the king?

**Nehemiah:** I was upset because \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**Reporter:** Why did you fast and pray for God's help?

**Nehemiah:** I fasted and prayed because \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**Reporter:** After King Artaxerxes gave you permission to go to Jerusalem, you came up with a plan. What was it?

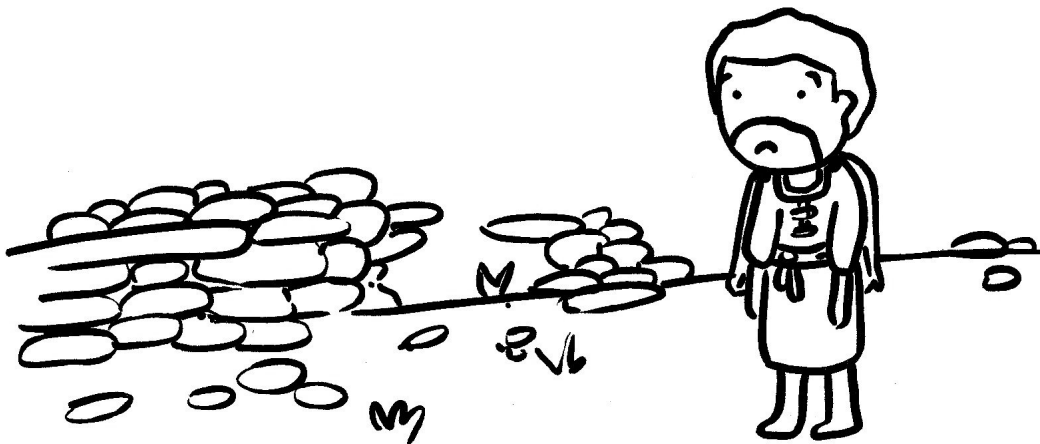
**Nehemiah:** My plan was \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**Reporter:** Sanballat and Tobiah opposed your efforts. How did the Jewish people react?

**Nehemiah:** They \_\_\_\_\_.

**Reporter:** Why do you think the people were willing to follow you and help you rebuild Jerusalem's wall?

**Nehemiah:** \_\_\_\_\_.





E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 9—Nehemiah Rebuilds the Wall

# Homework Assignment

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Pray							

## What I Learned from the Bible This Week

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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (Isaiah 1:17)

\_\_\_\_\_

### Fill In the Blank

1. Nehemiah worked for King \_\_\_\_\_ as a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Nehemiah asked for the king's permission to return to \_\_\_\_\_ to rebuild the wall of \_\_\_\_\_.

### Multiple Choice

3. \_\_\_\_\_: The king knew that something was bothering Nehemiah because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Nehemiah wrote him a letter.
  - b. Nehemiah broke one of his cups.
  - c. Nehemiah looked sad.
4. \_\_\_\_\_: After Nehemiah told the king about the wall of Jerusalem, the king \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Permitted Nehemiah to go back to Judah
  - b. Had Nehemiah killed
  - c. Wrote letters to his other servants commanding them to rebuild the wall of Jerusalem in Nehemiah's place
5. \_\_\_\_\_: As soon as Nehemiah arrived in Jerusalem, he \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Gathered everyone together and started rebuilding the wall of Jerusalem
  - b. Found out that the wall had already been rebuilt
  - c. Stayed there for three days without telling anyone his plan

### Short Answer

6. How did Nehemiah react when he first heard about the wall of Jerusalem?
7. What did Nehemiah do before letting the king know his request?
8. What can you learn from Nehemiah's actions?

# LESSON 10

## EZRA'S PEOPLE OBEY GOD'S WORD

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: Turning Wrong into Right
- Life Application Worksheet: The Importance of Reading the Bible
- Activity: God's Word Comes First
- Homework

## Turning Wrong into Right

**Instructions:** Cross out the wrong words and write down the right words in their place.

1. Isaiah the prophet warned the kings of Judah that God was about to punish the people with destruction.

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2. The prophesy came true, just as the prophet had predicted. Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Judah, invaded the city and destroyed Jerusalem.

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3. Then forty years later, Babylon was conquered by King Jeremiah.

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4. Many years went by, and the Jews finished the temple. Then, Ezra the governor came from Babylon with another group of people.

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5. After Ezra arrived in Jerusalem, he found that some of the leaders had married Jewish women who worshipped God.

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6. The people showed their determination to obey God's word by staying with their foreign wives who worshipped idols.

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## The Importance of Reading the Bible

The Bible is just as true for you today as it was for people 3,000 years ago. Likewise, it will be just as true 3,000 years from now. It is God’s word, and God’s word lasts forever.

God wants to speak to you through His written word. Here's how you can listen to Him this week.

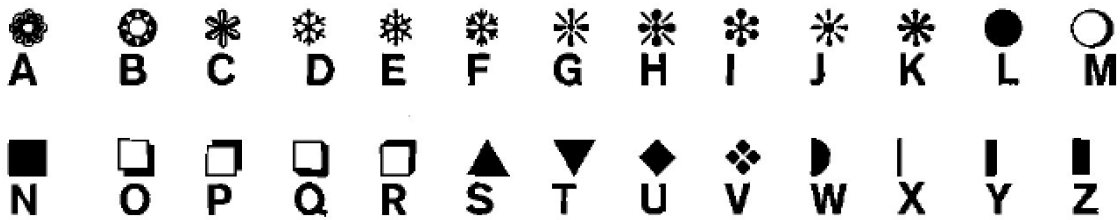
1. Take this page home. Choose a different Scripture passage each day. Read it carefully.
2. Think about what you've read. Write about what God is saying to you in these verses.
3. Ask the Lord to speak to your heart through these verses.
4. Did you receive a message from God through your reading? If you did, create a picture of the new message.

	Verse	Drawing
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<input type="checkbox"/>	When you are happy (Psalm 100) <hr/> <hr/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	When you have a need (Philippians 4:6-7, 19) <hr/> <hr/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	When you feel hatred (Ephesians 4:26-27, 29, 31, 32) <hr/> <hr/>	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	When you are tempted (James 4:7-8, 10) <hr/> <hr/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	When you have done wrong (Psalm 51:1-3, 10, 17) <hr/> <hr/>	

### God's Word Comes First

The Israelites heard what Ezra told them regarding the word of God. They confessed their sins and made changes in their lives accordingly. God has spoken to people through His written word for thousands of years. And, He still speaks to us today through the Bible.

Read Deuteronomy 11:18-19 to find out how God told the Israelites and us to honor His word. Crack the code to complete His instructions the way we would say them today.



**Study the Bible and**

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Love the Lord  
Your God with all  
Your heart and with  
all Your soul and  
with all Your  
Strength...



We honor the Bible because it is God's word.

What is the most important wonderful thing about God's word?

E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 10—Ezra's People Obey God's Word

# Homework Assignment

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## What I Learned from the Bible This Week

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 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (Psalm 119:18)

\_\_\_\_\_

### Multiple Choice

1. \_\_\_\_\_: The Jews were able to go back to Jerusalem because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. King Cyrus of Persia freed them.
  - b. King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon allowed them to go home.
  - c. God helped them escape from Babylon.
2. \_\_\_\_\_: The mission of the people who went back to Jerusalem with Zerubbabel was to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Restore their worship and rebuild the temple
  - b. Find their family members who were left there seventy years ago
  - c. Rebuild the wall of Jerusalem
3. \_\_\_\_\_: As soon as Ezra arrived in Jerusalem, he found out that \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. The people had not begun rebuilding the temple.
  - b. Many people had left Jerusalem to go back to Babylon.
  - c. Some of the people had sinned against God by marrying pagan women.

### Short Answer

4. Why was it necessary for the people to know that they needed to read God's laws?
5. How do you suppose the people of Ezra's day set an example for us today?
6. What did you learn from Ezra?

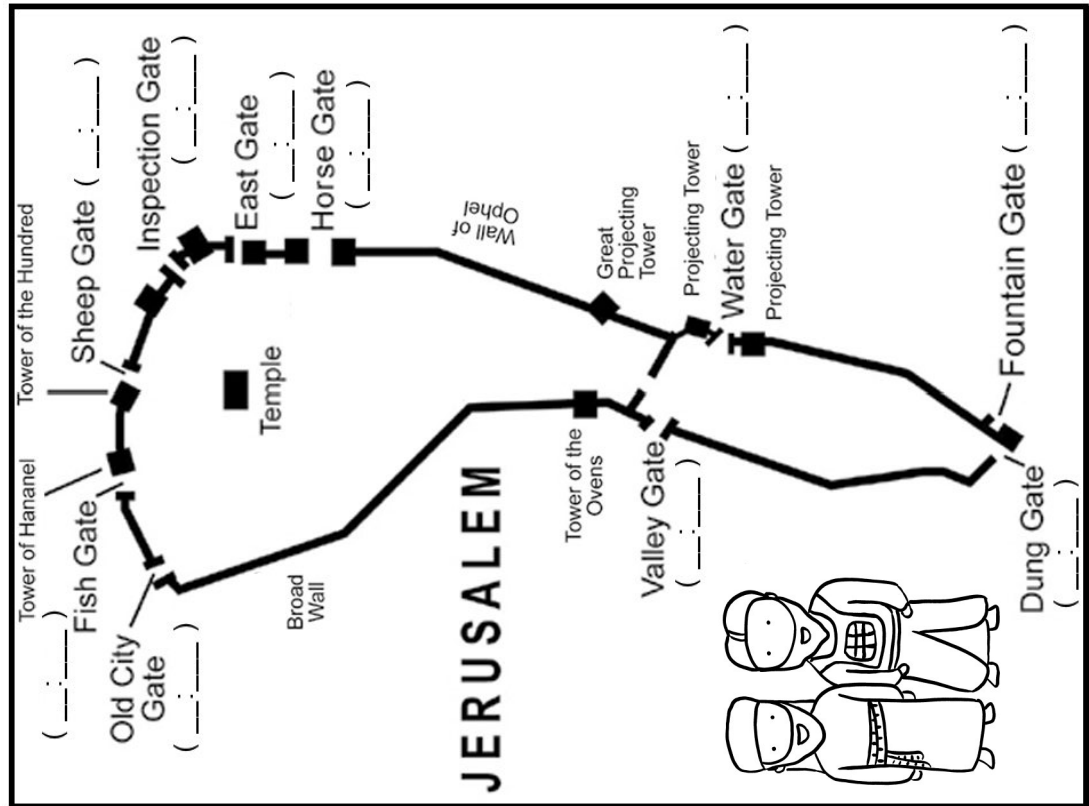
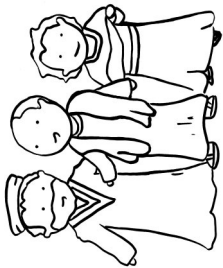
# LESSON 11

## NEHEMIAH STANDS UP FOR GOD UNTIL THE END

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: Who Did the Work?
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Nehemiah Responds Faithfully
- Life Application Worksheet #1: How Would You Handle It?
- Life Application Worksheet #2: The Walls of Your Life
- Homework

# Who Did the Work? (Nehemiah 3)



## Who Didn't Work?

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## Who Did Work?




Attempt	Bible Passage	Enemy's Attack	Nehemiah's Action
1	(4:1-6)	<p>They mocked and laughed at the Jews.                      Sanballat: "What are these feeble Jews doing?"                      Tobiah: "Whatever they build, if even a _____ goes up on it, he will _____ down their stone wall."</p>	<p>1. Prayed to God. [ _____ ]                      "God, we are despised! Do not forget their sins, because they have provoked you to anger before the builders"                      2. Kept the people's mind on the work [ _____ ]</p>
2	(4:6-23)	<p>They planned to attack Jerusalem, cause confusion and kill the Jews while they worked on the wall.                      "They will neither know nor see anything, till we come into their midst and kill them and cause the work to cease."</p>	<p>1. P _____ (4:9)                      2. S _____ (4:9)                      3. Set men at the openings of the wall to fight in case of an attack (4:13-14)                      4. Set half the men to _____ half to _____ (4:16)                      5. Those who were building needed to hold _____ with one hand (4:17)                      6. The trumpet blower stood by Nehemiah as he watched for enemies (4:18-20)                      7. Everyone guarded by night, worked by day (4: _____)</p>
3	[ _____ ]	<p>They planned to hurt Nehemiah physically by calling him to come out of the city. Sanballat sent messengers to tell Nehemiah,                      "Come, let us meet together among the villages in the plain of Ono"                      He sent this message _____ times.</p>	<p>1. Nehemiah focused on the work God had set for him and replied,                      "I am doing a _____, so I cannot come down. Why should I _____ this work and go to you?"                      2. Nehemiah replied the same _____ times.</p>
4	(6:5-9)	<p>They _____ and tried to make Nehemiah and the people afraid.                      "It is reported among the nations that you and the Jews plan to rebel!"                      "They will be afraid, their _____ will be _____ and the work will not be done!"</p>	<p>1. Nehemiah confirmed this was a lie.                      2. Prayed to God to s _____ his hands (4:9)</p>
5	[ _____ ]	<p>They sent the spy S _____ to prophesy falsely to make Nehemiah _____ against God.                      "Let us meet together in the house of God, within the _____ and let us close the doors of the temple, for they are coming to kill you."</p>	<p>1. Nehemiah knew God's commandment, only priests and Levites could go into the temple. It was forbidden for him to go into the temple! (6:11)                      2. He was aware that God did not send S _____ to prophesy (6:12)                      3. He prayed to God to remember the evil ways of Tobiah and Sanballat and other prophets they hired to make Nehemiah afraid (6: _____)</p>

**How would YOU HANDLE IT?**

Read these difficult problems. Then, fill in one of your own problems in the empty box provided. Remember how Nehemiah prayed and then made plans to overcome the difficulties he faced. Write down what you can do about the problems listed.

Scenario/Problem	I will feel...	What <u>NOT</u> to do	What I <u>SHOULD</u> do: (step by step in order)
<p>Some of your classmates are laughing about the art project that you and your friends are doing for school.</p>			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.</li> <li>2.</li> <li>3.</li> </ol>
<p>Your team is trying the best to get a good score. Then, a bully from another team comes and threatens to beat up one of your team members.</p>			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.</li> <li>2.</li> <li>3.</li> <li>4.</li> </ol>
<p>Your friends in school laugh at you when you say grace before meals at lunch time.</p>			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.</li> <li>2.</li> <li>3.</li> </ol>
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## The Walls of Your Life

Examine the wall in your spiritual life.

- Is your wall built up tall and strong?
  - o Do we spend enough time every day to read the Bible so that we know what pleases God?
  - o Do we spend enough time in \_\_\_\_\_? (Jude 20)
  - o Are we \_\_\_\_\_ God’s word in actions? (James 1:22)
- Or, is your wall very weak, cracked, and even broken down in some places?
  - o Do you feel that the enemy is attacking you from every side and you fall easily into temptation?
  - o Do we sometimes lose our self-control and end up doing what doesn’t please God?
  - o Do we find it difficult to live by the spirit?

**WHOEVER HAS NO  
Rule  
OVER HIS OWN  
SPIRIT  
IS LIKE A CITY  
BROKEN DOWN,  
WITHOUT WALLS.**

Prov 25:28

**STRONG BRICKS:** Write the things you have done well or things you can do to fortify and make your wall stronger. (Color it in a “strong” color.)

**BROKEN WALL:** Write the things that have made your wall weak, and what you can do to build it up again. (Color it in a “weak” color.)

**REMEMBER:** When you are rebuilding your wall, your “enemies” will not be happy and will do everything to try and stop you! Don’t let them get the better of you and **DON’T** give up in prayer. Remember how Nehemiah overcame his enemies with God’s help, and how you can do it, too!

## E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 11—Nehemiah Stands Up for God Until the End

# Homework Assignment

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Pray							

### What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

### Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(2 Thessalonians 3:3)**

\_\_\_\_\_

#### True or False

1. Sanballat, Tobiah, and Geshem opposed Nehemiah's work to rebuild the city wall. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Nehemiah did not have helpers when rebuilding the city wall. \_\_\_\_\_

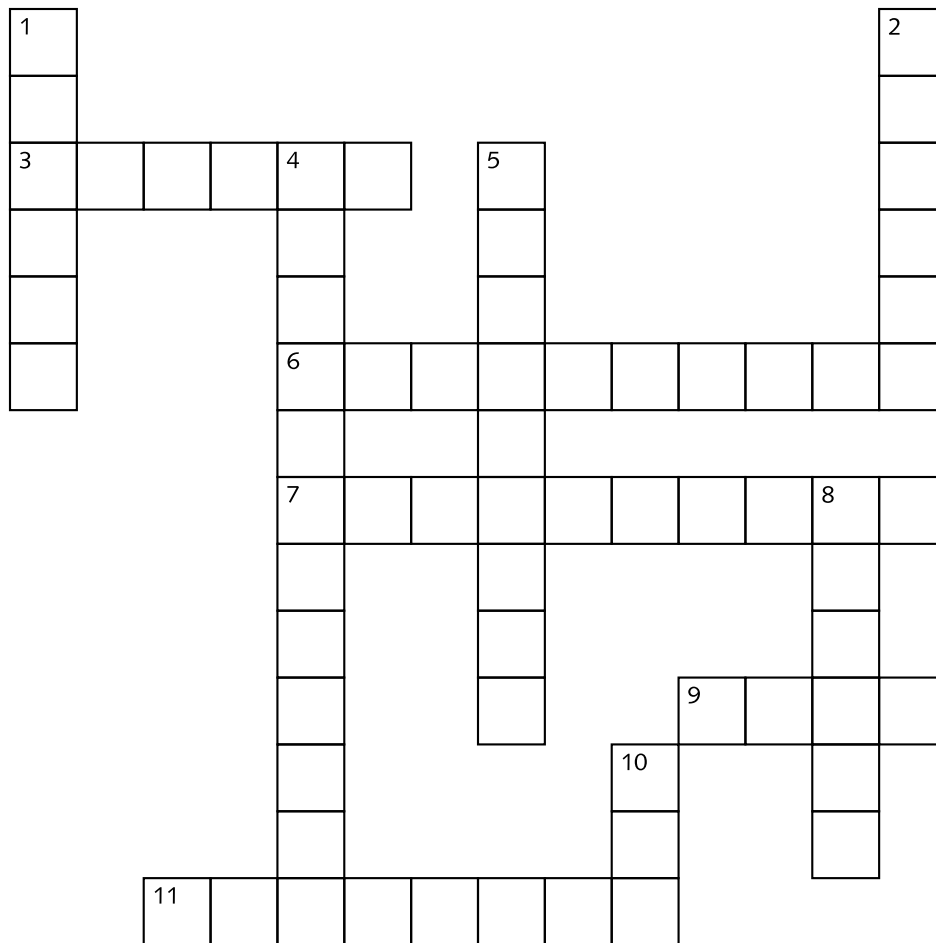
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3. "Those who were rebuilding the wall, and those who carried burdens, loaded themselves so that with one hand they worked at construction, and with the other held a \_\_\_\_\_." (Neh 4:17)
4. "So the wall was \_\_\_\_\_ on the twenty-fifth day of Elul, in fifty-two days." (Neh 6:15)

#### Short Answer

5. What did Nehemiah do when Sanballat, Tobiah, and Geshem tried to disrupt his work by mocking the Jewish people and by spreading lies about them?
  
6. What does it mean to rebuild our spiritual wall? What are some ways you can build up your own spiritual wall?
  
7. What is the significance of the Jewish people working together in building the city walls? In what ways do your peers in church help you in building your spiritual wall?

### Nehemiah Stands Up for God Until the End



**Across**

- 3. Now it happened, when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites heard that the walls of Jerusalem were being restored and the gaps were beginning to be closed, that they became very angry, and all of them conspired together to come and \_\_\_\_ Jerusalem and create confusion (Neh 4:7-8)
- 6. For they all were trying to make us afraid, saying, "Their hands will be weakened in the work, and it will not be done." Now therefore, O God, \_\_\_\_ my hands (Neh 6:9)
- 7. But it so happened, when Sanballat heard that we were \_\_\_\_ the wall, that he was furious and very indignant and mocked the Jews (Neh 4:1)
- 9. So we built the \_\_\_\_, and the entire wall was joined together up to half its height, for the people had a mind to work (Neh 4:6)
- 11. So the wall was \_\_\_\_ on the twenty-fifth day of Elul, in fifty-two days (Neh 6:15)

**Down**

- 1. Nevertheless we made our \_\_\_\_ to God, and because of them we set a watch against them day and night (Neh 4:9)
- 2. Those who built on the wall, and those who carried burdens, loaded themselves so that with one hand they worked at construction, and with the other held a \_\_\_\_ (Neh 4:17)
- 4. So it was, from that time on, that half of my servants worked at \_\_\_\_, while the other half held the spears, the shields, the bows and wore armor; and the leaders were behind all the house of Judah (Neh 4:16)
- 5. After him Baruch the son of Zabbai \_\_\_\_ repaired the other section (Neh 3:20)
- 8. Next to them the Tekoites made repairs; but their \_\_\_\_ did not put their shoulders to the work of their Lord (Neh 3:5)
- 10. Wherever you hear the sound of the trumpet, rally to us there. Our \_\_\_\_ will fight for us (Neh 4:20)

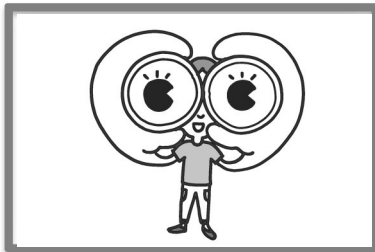
# LESSON 12

## NEHEMIAH DEDICATES THE WALL AND CONFRONTS THE JEWS

### Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: The Dedication
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: The Covenant
- Life Application Worksheet #1, Pages 1 and 2: My Personal Dedication
- Life Application Worksheet #2: My Covenant with God
- Homework

THE DEDICATION

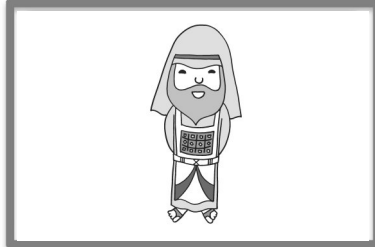


**(12:27-28) Find the Levites and singers**

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**(12:30)**

- Priests and Levites
- The people, the gates, and the wall

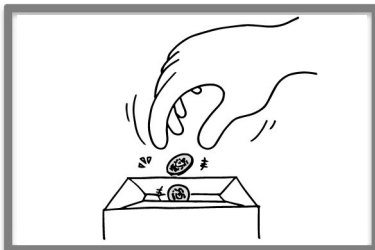


**(12:31) With thanksgiving**

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**( \_\_\_\_\_ ) With joy**

- God made them rejoice with great joy
- Everyone rejoiced: men, women, and children



**(12:47) \_\_\_\_\_**

- For the singers and gatekeepers
- For the house of God

**(13:1-3) Read the Law of God**

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THE COVENANT

**The Covenant  
(what they  
promised)**

We will not marry  
Gentiles  
(10:30)

We will not work or  
trade on Sabbath day  
(10: )

We will offer tithes and  
firstfruits, not neglect the  
house of God  
(10:35-39)

**What  
happened?**

They married Gentiles  
of \_\_\_\_\_  
(13:23-24)

They worked and  
\_\_\_\_\_ on the  
Sabbath  
( : )

They neglected the  
house of God  
( : )

**What did Nehemiah do  
when he saw this?**

He \_\_\_\_\_ with them, cursed them,  
hit them, pulled out their hair and made  
them promise not to \_\_\_\_\_  
(13:25-28)

He \_\_\_\_\_ with them,  
"What evil thing is this that you do  
on the \_\_\_\_\_?" He  
shut the gates and put his servants  
at the gates to guard it (13:17-22)

He \_\_\_\_\_ with them, "Why is the  
house of God \_\_\_\_\_?" He  
gathered the Levites together again  
(13:11-13)



# My Personal Dedication

What can I dedicate to God?

What attitudes should I have?

Write these verses in your own words. How can you apply these attitudes to what you want to dedicate to God?

## PURE HEART

• 2 TIM 2:21-22



## THANKSGIVING

• EPH 5:19-20



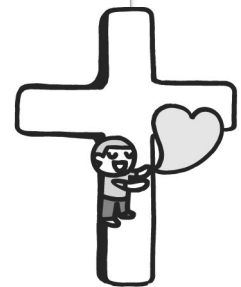
## JOY

• PS 100:2



## WILLINGNESS

• 2 COR 8:12



## Testimony

Sister Elizabeth who specializes and is gifted in flower arranging was asked by the church to do a few special flower arrangements for the church dedication. Sis. Elizabeth wanted the flower arrangement to be as nice and fresh as possible for the dedication, so as per her usual practice to ensure fresh flowers for the day, she started the flower arrangements the night before. She spent lots of time on one particular arrangement because it was the largest one and it was going to be at the main entrance. She worked really hard and even stayed past midnight to finish all the flower arrangements allocated to her. This was a big church, and there were many things to be done in the chapel as well as outside, so many members stayed to help clean and organize the church for the dedication. Finally, she finished for the night and went home to rest. She planned to come an hour early the next morning to do one final check, and perhaps give the flowers a quick mist spray before everyone arrived for the dedication.



To other people, this may just have been another pot of flowers. But to Sister Elizabeth, this was what she felt God had gifted her with, so she was especially dedicated to ensuring that it was done to the best of her abilities.

However, early next morning, she arrived an hour beforehand, only to find that the main flower arrangement for the entrance was no longer there. After asking around, she found out that sometime between last night after she left and this morning before she arrived, a church member felt the floor needed another cleaning and vacuuming. Unfortunately the member who did the vacuuming accidentally knocked over the flower arrangement, and it was completely ruined.

Sister Elizabeth was devastated. It was too late to do anything about it. She didn't have the time, the equipment, or the flowers to make a replacement. After spending hours last night on the arrangement and sacrificing her sleep, in the end, she couldn't present the nice arrangement the church had asked her to make.

So, in the prayer during dedication, she asked God, "Why did you let this happen? I did that work for you, God. That arrangement was done for this dedication to glorify You. Why did this accident have to happen?"

Praise God that, during the dedication, God opened her heart and comforted her. She felt God's comfort, but more importantly she felt God teaching her. God let her understand that the flower arrangement was her offering to God, not to the people attending the dedication. Whether or not other people saw it wasn't important. God had seen it. God had accepted her offering. When she came to realize this thought, she felt peace and joy fill her heart.

The most important aspect of our dedication to God is what God sees, and not what other people see. If we dedicate our work to God with a pure, willing, joyful, and thankful heart, God will see it, even if other people do not see it.

## My Covenant with God

Think about the covenant that the people made during the time of Nehemiah and how it relates to your life today. What can you pledge to God today?

In the box, draw something that will remind you of your pledge. Then, write the actual pledge.

Finally, put your signature on it and seal it!

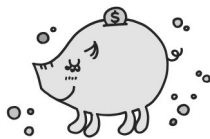
Dear God,



I pledge to



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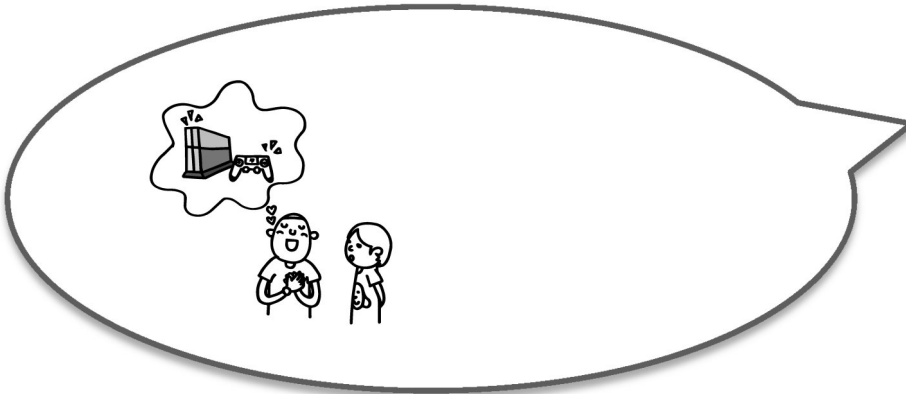
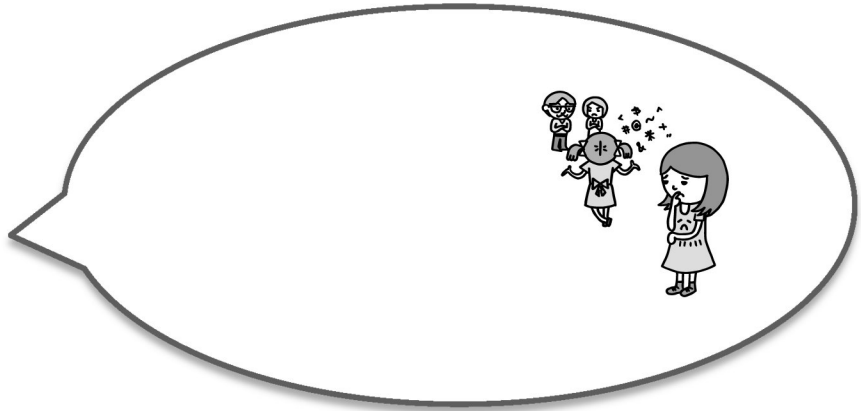
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## DIFFICULT SITUATIONS

When Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem, he discovered the people breaking their covenant and doing the wrong things in the eyes of God. In the face of this difficult situation, Nehemiah didn't just give up. He did what he could to turn the people back to God.

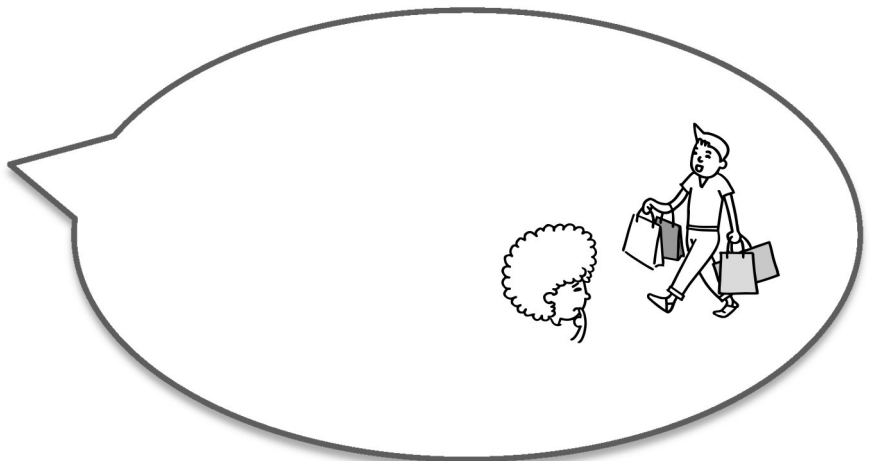
What would you say in these difficult situations?

Your see your sister hide a secret and lie to your parents about something bad she's doing.



Your friend keeps telling you about how much he wants a video game.

You haven't seen your friend come to church for Sabbath for a long time. One day you see him in the shopping mall.



# E2 Year 3 Book 2 Lesson 12—Nehemiah Dedicates the Wall and Confronts the Jews

## Homework Assignment

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Weekly Bible Reading:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bible Reading:** Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

**Prayer:** Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

### What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Romans 12:1)**

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### What Do We Need to Do?

Nehemiah confronted and rebuked the people regarding intermarriage, the Sabbath, and taking care of the temple through offerings. For each point, write down:

 <p><b>In Marriage</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God wants us to...</li>   <li>• How did the Jewish people disobey God?</li>   <li>• What I can do now is...</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Sabbath Day</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God wants us to...</li>   <li>• How did the Jewish people disobey God?</li>   <li>• What I can do now is...</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Offering &amp; Tithes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God wants us to...</li>   <li>• How did the Jewish people disobey God?</li>   <li>• What I can do now is...</li> </ul>
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"Your word is a lamp to my feet  
And a light to my path."

(Psalm 119:105)