

Welcome to SPC Kids Corner!

November 20th, 2022

Today we will discuss **Isaiah 36: 1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4**

- + Read along with the (kid-friendly) text, and bring your crayons!

- + For those **participating at home**, check out the **last two pages** of the packet!

- + As we approach the Christmas season, we will be regularly spending part of our Sunday School time learning **special music on the handchimes**.



- + If your child would like to participate, but the family is unable to attend Sunday services, please let Blair know at the email below. We can make arrangements.
The more hands the merrier!

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BLESSING, BELONGING, BELIEVING

Isaiah 36: 1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4

Story Summary: *God's Plan for Peace*

Today's story takes place during the invasion of Judah by the Assyrians in the late eighth century BCE. During this invasion, the king of Assyria sent an army to place a siege on Jerusalem. This siege came as a result of Hezekiah (pronounced Hez-a-KAI-uh), the king of Judah, standing up against the Assyrians by making religious changes and forming alliances with other kingdoms.

The king of Assyria questions God's ability to deliver the people of Judah from their suffering. He attempts to break the relationship of trust that the people have with their king, Hezekiah, by sending a messenger to talk to them. When Hezekiah hears the words of this messenger, he turns to Isaiah for help, and Isaiah offers him words of hope and peace from God.

The Point

God's promises of goodness and peace still stand in the face of challenges. Hezekiah trusted that God would deliver Judah from the hand of the Assyrians. Hezekiah preached this message, even though the king of Assyria attempted to make the people think otherwise. Isaiah also knew that God would bring peace and goodness into the world. Both Hezekiah and Isaiah knew that the vision of the world told in Isaiah 2 would be fulfilled, and they trusted in God's promise in spite of challenges.



Lesson 13 Hezekiah



He opened and repaired the house of the LORD and set the Levites and Priests their tasks.

The idols and high places were broken down.

The great passover was kept with all Israel invited.

His reign began at 25 years of age.

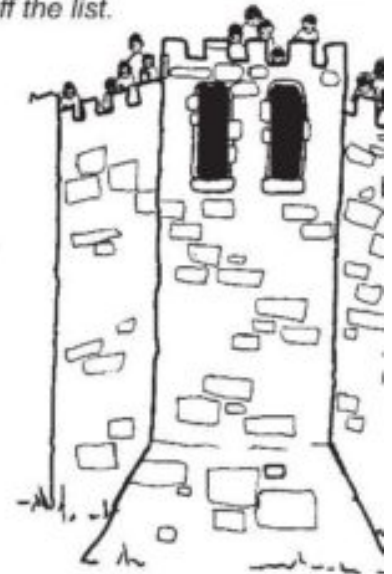
Draw a line from each sentence to the correct picture and colour in the pictures.

Lesson 13 Hezekiah

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Hidden in the find-a-word are 12 words from today's lesson. They go forwards, backwards, up or down. When you find a word, colour and cross it off the list.

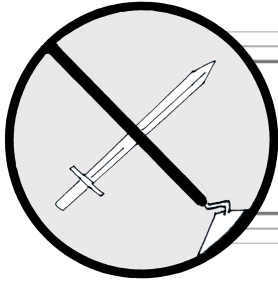
Angel	Lambs
Assyrians	Passover
Cleaned	Pray
Days	Seven
Doors	Temple
Hezekiah	Trusted



ISAIAH AND THE SERAPHIM



A seraphim with a burning coal in his hand cleansed the mouth of the prophet, Isaiah. Isaiah preached against the wickedness of the times, and foretold the coming of the Messiah.



THE STORY @ HOME

**KIDS
3RD-6TH**

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Living the Word: Teaching Kids God's Story
Narrative Lectionary, Year 1 (2022-2023)

Lesson #1-11
Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4

LAST WEEK

The prophet Micah spoke God's words to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God (Micah [1:3-5] 5:2-5a; 6:6-8).

THIS WEEK

When the Assyrian forces threatened Jerusalem, King Hezekiah sought the prophet Isaiah to pray on behalf of the people (Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4).

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PRACTICE SERVICE

Today's lesson is a clear call to response to the gifts of God. By responding through justice and mercy, we reach out to serve those people who are in the most need. Make a list of ways that your family can serve others as we move into the holiday season.

THE POINT

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BIBLE NUTS & BOLTS

The World to Come

Our world is broken, filled with violence and hatred. People are sick, they suffer, and there often seems to be little hope. In the Bible, there are many passages that give the people of God hope for the world to come. Imagery in passages such as Isaiah 2:1-4 describes a world where violence will be no more and peace will prosper. In the Book of Revelation, we read the promise of a day when all will love and worship God and there will be no more pain, sickness, or death. As we wait for this world to come, we trust in God's love and promises.

NEXT WEEK

Habakkuk cries out against injustice and lives by faith while he waits for God to act (Habakkuk 1:1-7; 2:1-4; 3:[3b-6] 17-19).

Family Discussions

Use the questions below or other questions you think of to discuss today's Scripture reading (listed above) with your family.

- ✚ In what way does this text speak to our theme of God's plan for peace?
- ✚ What does this scripture have to do with our lives today?
- ✚ What part of this scripture is the most interesting to you? Why?

Family Devotions

As you hear and study these stories each week, consider what God has to say to you and your family. What is God's message to us? How should we respond?

Sunday—Read Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4

God's plan for peace.

What would be your plan for peace?

Monday—Read Isaiah 38:1-8

Hezekiah is saved from an illness.

In what ways does God save people from illness today? If you know someone who is sick or in the hospital, visit them. Thank the doctors and nurses for their work.

Tuesday—Read 2 Kings 21:1-16

Manasseh's wicked reign.

In what ways do we turn away from God? Pray for forgiveness for those times.

Wednesday—Read 2 Kings 22:1-13

Josiah's reign and reform, part 1.

Find and count the loose change in your house. Consider donating it to your church.

Thursday—Read 2 Kings 22:14-20

Josiah's reign and reform, part 2.

Skim through a section of the Bible. Tell each other what word God is sharing with you.

Friday—Read 2 Kings 23:1-14

Josiah's reign and reform, part 3.

Spend time listening to an elder.

Saturday—Read 2 Kings 23:21-30

Josiah's reign and reform, part 4.

For the rest of the day, put away something that gets in the way of your relationship with God.