

ISAIAH

HIGHLIGHTS:

This week your child learned that God sent prophets - many of them! Prophets were special messengers who told the people what God said. One of these prophets was named Isaiah. As a prophet, it was Isaiah's job to listen to God then tell the people what God told him to say. God's message is one of hope, and the story of Isaiah focuses on the coming Messiah, the Savior God promised. Isaiah told people over and over again about the Savior God promised. He told them what God said, but they would not listen. They did not believe Isaiah...or any of the prophets. They did not believe God at all. Do you? (Isaiah 9, 11, 40, 53, 55 & 60; Psalm 23, 51 & 2 Samuel 7)

FOLLOWING THE RECIPE:

Find a simple recipe for making cookies or a fun dessert. Have your child help you make the food by following the recipe. As you are making the dessert, talk to your child about how you are following the steps in the recipe plan. God always has a plan, and we need to listen to and obey His plan. As you are eating your dessert, read the story of Isaiah's call from Isaiah 6:1-8 and ask these questions:

1. Did Isaiah have to listen and obey?
2. What message was Isaiah sharing?
3. How can we be like Isaiah? What message can we share?

TELL EVERYONE:

Take your little one outside and whisper a short saying in your child's ear such as, "God love me and you, too." Then have them yell that saying as loud as they can. Show them how to make their hands into a megaphone and make their voice even louder. Just as Isaiah told people about God, your child can do the same. Continue with other short saying such as "God has a plan to save us" or "God keeps His promises".

LIGHT THE WAY:

Tell your child that the Good News that Isaiah was preaching was like a light to the dark world, so you and your child are going to make a candle or torch. Give your child a long cardboard tube and allow him to decorate with crayons and markers. Using a piece of red, orange, and yellow tissue paper, put them in one end of the tube as flames. Talk about how God's plan to rescue the world from sin was a light to the world - Jesus.