

**Bible Lessons for Children**  
Learning to Know the Triune God through His Holy Word

**Preschool Lesson One Hundred Sixteen: Samuel's Admonition**

<b>Overview</b>	<p><u>Bible Facts &amp; Songs:</u> Songs about the Bible and the Kings <u>Bible Reading &amp; Discussion:</u> I Samuel 12:1-2, 6-8, 11-12, 16-20, 24-25 <u>Bible Memory &amp; Craft:</u> Verses about Prayer <u>Learning Objectives:</u> (1) Samuel reminded Israel of the Lord's righteous deeds. (2) Samuel told the people that they were wicked to ask for a king when God was their king. (3) God sent thunder and rain so the people would know their wickedness. (4) Samuel told the people to fear the Lord and serve him with all their hearts. (5) Samuel warned Israel that they would be swept away if they did wickedly. (6) It is right to pray for the advancement of God's kingdom on earth, which is the reign of Christ in the hearts and lives of believers.</p>
<b>Opening</b>	<p>Get students' attention by using a pre-planned silence signal. Have students sit in rows or a semi-circle facing you. Open in prayer asking God's blessing upon the time.</p>
<b>Bible Facts</b> 5-10 minutes	<p><u>Materials:</u> Song visuals &amp;/or props as needed <u>Strategies:</u> Sing It with Hand &amp;/or Body Motions as appropriate <u>Instructions:</u> Lead songs about the Bible &amp; the Kings, including visuals and motions as appropriate. For free songs sung to familiar hymn tunes, use the following link. <a href="http://gardenofpraise.com/biblsong.htm">http://gardenofpraise.com/biblsong.htm</a></p>
<b>Bible Reading</b> 15 minutes	<p><u>Materials:</u> Bibles for students to use <u>Strategies:</u> Missing Word Reading <u>Scripture:</u> I Samuel 12:1-2, 6-8, 11-12, 16-20, 24-25 <u>Instructions:</u> Have students sit at tables. Leader reads aloud expressively. Whenever leader pauses students say, "Lord." Leader should mark passage ahead of time.</p>
<b>Bible Discussion</b> 10 minutes	<p><u>Materials:</u> None <u>Strategy:</u> Hand Action <u>Instructions:</u> Have students sit in a fellowship circle. Instead of raising their hands to share, they perform another action: Pat your head; Pull your ear; Give the thumbs up sign; Touch your nose, etc. To keep students focused, leader should change the hand action required for each question. <u>Questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Samuel reminded the people of Israel about the righteous deeds that the Lord had done for them and their fathers. In the past when the Egyptians had oppressed the people of Israel, to whom did they cry out for help? (The Lord)</li><li>➤ Who did the Lord send to bring Israel out of Egypt to the Promised Land? (Moses and Aaron)</li><li>➤ In the Promised Land, the Lord sent the judges to deliver Israel out of the hand of their enemies and they, "... lived in <u>blank</u>." (Safety)</li><li>➤ Samuel told the people, "... the Lord your <u>blank</u> was your king." (God)</li><li>➤ Samuel reminded the people, "...you said to me 'No, but a <u>blank</u> shall reign over us.'" (King)</li><li>➤ When Samuel called upon the Lord, what did the Lord send so that the people would know their great wickedness in asking for a king when God had been their king? (Thunder and rain.)</li><li>➤ Samuel told the people "...fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your <u>blank</u>." (Heart)</li><li>➤ Samuel warned, "But if you still do wickedly, you shall be swept away, both you and your <u>blank</u>." (King)</li></ul>

Transitional Thought: God said through Samuel that the kingdom of Israel would be swept away if the people of Israel and their king rebelled against God and did wickedly. Christ's kingdom is eternal. Christ's blood sacrifice on the cross paid for believers' sin, saving those with faith in Christ with a salvation that cannot be swept away.

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<b>Group Prayer</b>	Through prayer, praise God for Who He is and for the saving sacrifice of Christ.
<b>Bible Memory</b> 10-15 minutes	<u>Materials:</u> White board with markers and eraser <u>Strategy:</u> Body Motions <u>Instructions:</u> Have students sit in a semi-circle or rows facing a white board with the following passage written on it:  <i>Verse: "Your kingdom come..." Matthew 6:10a</i>  Exaggerated body motions are chosen to represent the words in the passage. Students repeat the passage a few times using words and body motions.
<b>Bible Craft</b> As time allows	<u>Materials:</u> Books from previous lesson, book material, markers, art supplies, sample project <u>Activity:</u> The Lord's Prayer Book <u>Note:</u> Each student will make an eight page "Lord's Prayer" book that will be completed during several lessons. A new page will be completed each lesson until the entire prayer is included in the book. Covers may be created simply with construction paper or may be more elaborate using cardboard painted or covered with wrapping paper. <u>Instructions:</u> Have students sit at tables. If a student has not yet started his/her book, have student complete pages as described in previous lessons. On the fourth page, have students cut and glue, "Your kingdom come..." and illustrate with a white heart that has a cross in the center of it. (Words can be handwritten with black marker or printed from a computer for students to cut out and glue.) Have students recite the parts of the Lord's Prayer that they have learned to this point: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come..."
<b>Closing</b>	Have students assist with clean-up. Remind students to practice their memory work throughout the week. Close in prayer & dismiss.

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Verses about Prayer

Verse: "Pray then like this: 'Our Father in heaven...'" Matthew 6:9a-b

Verse: "...hallowed be your name." Matthew 6:9c

Verse: "Your kingdom come..." Matthew 6:10a

Verse: "...your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:10b

Verse: "Give us this day our daily bread," Matthew 6:11

Verse: "and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors." Matthew 6:12

Verse: "And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil." Matthew 6:13