

**Unit 15 • Session 1**  
**October 19-20, 2019**  
**2nd-3rd Lesson**  
**Isaiah, Prophet to Judah**

**BIBLE PASSAGE:**  
Isaiah 6; 53

**STORY POINT:**  
The prophet Isaiah told about the Savior.

**KEY PASSAGE:**  
2 Chronicles 7:14

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**  
How did God plan to fix what sin broke? Before He created the world, God planned to send the Savior to save sinners.

**Kid Connect**  
(10 minutes)

**Large Group**  
(30 minutes)

**Small Group**  
(20 minutes)

## **LEADER Bible Study**

King Uzziah's death marked the end of an era. His reign had been long and prosperous. Uzziah became king when he was 16, and he reigned over Judah for 52 years. Then Uzziah died. Under Uzziah's leadership, God's people had turned away from the promises of God and trusted in the promises of the world around them. God had promised to bless the entire world through Abraham's family, but God's people were rebellious. Instead of blessing, they set themselves up to receive God's judgment.

But God's plans and promises were not thwarted. God sent the prophet Isaiah to preach a message of hope. Even though God was going to correct His people through judgment, His purpose was one of grace through which God would receive glory. God planned to send a Messiah who would bring salvation to the world.

Isaiah 6 opens with Isaiah's worshiping in the temple. God gave Isaiah a vision. Isaiah saw God sitting on a throne. The magnitude of God's holiness made Isaiah realize the magnitude of his own sin. His response? "Woe is me!" God extended His grace to Isaiah. He took away Isaiah's guilt, and sent him to His people.

Isaiah 53 records the fourth and final Servant song in the Book of Isaiah, describing God's plan of redemption. We see a vision of the promised Messiah, the innocent substitute who would suffer for the sake of sinners.

Jesus fulfilled Isaiah's prophecies of a Suffering Servant. People assumed God had cursed the Suffering Servant for His own sins. But no, Jesus was sinless. Isaiah wrote that He was pierced because of our transgressions and crushed because of our iniquities. His punishment is what brought our peace. The Suffering Servant died the death we deserve.

Isaiah's words came 700 years before Jesus was born. This was God's plan all along! When we trust in Jesus, our sins are wiped away and His righteousness is credited to us.



# KID CONNECT

## Welcome time

[Intro Music](#)

Play intro music and greet each kid as he or she arrives. Use this time to fill out attendance sheets, and help new kids connect to your group. Prompt kids to share about a dream they remember having. Was it a good dream or a nightmare?

**SAY** • We often dream when we are asleep, even when we cannot remember what we dreamed about. Today we will learn about a man whom God gave a vision, which is kind of like a dream, but it happens while awake. What do you think God might say to a person in a vision?

## Transition to Large Group

### LARGE GROUP

#### Countdown

[VIDEO: Countdown](#)

Show the countdown video as you transition to Large Group. Set it to end as the session begins.

#### Large Group Game

Cardstock paper (5 per team)

[SFX: Game Intro Music](#)  
[SFX: VS. Theme Song](#)

#### LINEUP

*This is a mini-game inside of the VS. game on the computer. MOST of the game will be run digitally.*

Select 2 teams (5 boys and 5 girls) to play. Give each kid a piece of cardstock with a single number on it (1, 2, 3, 4 and 5) and have them hold it up in front of them. When you say go, the tech will select START in the game and a random number will appear in a random order on the screen. Teams must arrange themselves in this order and whichever team does so first, gets a point. First to 3 points wins.

**NOTE:** *Not all 5 numbers will necessarily be used each time so if a kid is holding a number that is not in the sequence, they must move out of the way.*

#### Worship

[VIDEO: Let it be Known](#)  
[VIDEO: O Taste and See](#)

Leader • Let's worship!

#### Introduce the session (3 minutes)

leader attire, mailbox, letter

*[Leader enters wearing casual clothing. He or she walks to the mailbox and opens it, withdrawing a letter from within.]*

Leader • Oh, hey there, neighbors. Check it out: I got a letter! I really love getting mail. How many of you like getting letters in the mail? *[Allow responses.]*

I don't mean junk mail and advertisements, though occasionally they can help me find good



deals on groceries. I'm talking about letters from friends or family members, addressed specifically to me. Letters in my mailbox make me feel loved and special.

This letter is from my pen pal. I met him while on vacation last summer, and we agreed to each write one letter a month. [*Briefly scan letter.*] It seems he is doing well. He just started reading a book I recommended to him. It's an adventure book, where the main character learns she is the chosen one and has to save the world! It's very exciting. All this talk of letters and chosen ones reminds me of the most exciting story ever: the story of Jesus!

The Bible is full of different books, written by many different human authors. All of them are God's words, though. God inspired people and gave them just the right words to write. Because of that, the Bible is like a letter from God to people. Isaiah was one of the men God chose to write part of the Bible. Isaiah was a prophet, or messenger from God. He wrote about God's promises for the future. Let me tell you about Isaiah.

## Big picture question (1 minute)

**CG: Big Picture Question**

Leader • As we get into our Bible story, let's pay attention to learn the answer to a new big picture question. Our question for the next few weeks is: *How did God plan to fix what sin broke?* As I tell you each story, listen for clues that can help us understand the answer to our question.

## Giant timeline (1 minute)

**CG: Giant Timeline**

Show the giant timeline. Point to individual Bible stories as you review.

Leader • Remember, God created the world, but soon after, Adam and Eve broke everything by choosing to sin. God had a plan and chose Abraham to bless the world. Abraham's family grew and eventually became the nation of Israel. They spent a long time in Egypt as slaves, but God rescued them and gave them the promised land. When they demanded a human king, God gave them one. Eventually, God split the kingdom because of one king's sin. We are going to focus on the Southern Kingdom, called Judah. God had promised a king from Judah would rule forever.

## Watch the Bible story

Bible

**VIDEO: Isaiah, Prophet to Judah**

**CG: Story Picture**

**CG: Story Point**

**CG: Big Picture Question**

Show the Bible story video "Isaiah, Prophet to Judah."

Leader • Wow! Sometimes I think, *if only I could see God, it would make life so much easier.* But this story is a reminder that God's glory is powerful and even a little scary. God is perfectly holy and being in His presence reminded Isaiah that he—and all other people, for that matter—was unclean.

If you have ever sat in a dark room for a long time before someone turns on a bright light unexpectedly, you may have a small idea of what it might feel like to suddenly understand God's holiness compared to our sin. But God had a plan to deal with sin.

**The prophet Isaiah told about the Savior.** God told Isaiah about a Servant who would suffer to take away sin. That servant is Jesus. God told Isaiah how the Suffering Servant would be hurt and killed, like a sacrificial lamb. God told Isaiah about these things long before they happened. God's plan all along was to send Jesus.



Jesus is the Lamb of God, and He died on the cross to pay for sin. Jesus then rose again to prove that His sacrifice was perfect and complete. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sin and declares us righteous. That's the answer to our big picture question. *How did God plan to fix what sin broke? Before He created the world, God planned to send the Savior to save sinners.*

## Christ connection

**Note:** You may use this opportunity to use Scripture and the guide provided to explain how to become a Christian. Make sure kids know when and where they can ask questions.

Leader • God planned all along that Jesus would die on the cross for our sin. Seven hundred years before Jesus was born, the prophet Isaiah wrote that this would happen! Jesus is the Servant who suffered so that those who trust in Him would be forgiven.

## Key passage

**CG: Key Passage**

Show the key passage poster. Lead the kids to read together 2 Chronicles 7:14.

Leader • God said the words of this key passage to King Solomon when the temple was completed. God knew that His people would not follow Him well and reminded Solomon that He would forgive their sin when they turned to Him. Because of Jesus' perfect sacrifice, we can trust that when we repent of sin and trust Jesus, our sin is forgiven and we are declared righteous by God.

## Pray and dismiss to small groups

### Halloween Costume Announcement!

Leader • Before we head to small groups, I want to let everyone know that KidCity wants you to wear your Halloween costume to church on the weekend of October 26-27. It's going to be a lot fun! Please remember a few things: No masks or weapons, nothing scary, and please keep it kid friendly!



## SMALL GROUP

**Session Title:** Isaiah, Prophet to Judah

**Bible Passage:** Isaiah 6; 53

**Story Point:** The prophet Isaiah told about the Savior.

**Key Passage:** 2 Chronicles 7:14

### Key passage activity (5 minutes)

Key Passage Poster, "Key Passage Cube" printable 1 per kid, scissors, tape or glue sticks

Display the key passage poster. Lead kids in reading 2 Chronicles 7:14 aloud together.

Distribute key passage cubes and demonstrate how to fold the cube along the lines and tape or glue the tabs inside the edges of the cube to assemble it. Guide kids to use the cubes to practice saying the key passage. They should turn the cube to find and read the words of 2 Chronicles 7:14 in order. Encourage kids to take home the cubes to work on memorizing the key passage this week.

**SAY** • We see throughout the Bible that God desires for all people to have a relationship with Him.

Ask kids what they think it means to have a relationship with God?

### Discussion questions

What does it mean that God is Holy? How can we be close to God? *Lead kids to recall that a holy God is separate from sin. Without Jesus, we cannot be with God. Jesus came to take away our sin and give us His righteousness. We recognize we are sinful, but we trust in Him. God forgives our sin and gives us eternal life. We look forward to being with Him forever.*

(Option: Choose a volunteer to read Heb. 4:14-16.)

Do you ever worry about the future? How could Isaiah's story encourage you? *God planned all along that Jesus would come and save us. Kids can encourage others that God is in control and working out everything for His glory and our good. Even when we do not know or understand God's plan, we can trust Him with our future.*

(Option: Choose a volunteer to read Ps. 16:5.)

### Journal and prayer (5 minutes)

pencils, Journal Page, "Meaningful Words" activity page, 1 per kid

Distribute journal pages and pencils. Guide kids to think about and answer the questions listed on the page:

What does this story teach me about God?

What does the story teach me about myself?

Are there any commands in this story to obey?

Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

How does this story help me to live on mission better?

As kids journal, invite them to share their ideas. Then pray, thanking God for His Word and for His faithfulness. Thank Him for Jesus, the Messiah who came as promised to bring us forgiveness and eternal life. If time allows, lead kids to complete "Meaningful Words" on the activity page.

### Connect with parents/influencers

Send home the activity page for families to interact with during the week.

