



How many gods are there? There is only one true God who alone deserves worship.

Week 1: August 17, 2025

Bible Story Point: God proved He is the one true God by answering Elijah's prayers.

Key Passage: So that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God and that there is no other.
(1 Kings 8:60)

Sunday Night: (Preschool & Children)

Elijah Confronted Ahab (1 Kings 18-19)

What is the boldest request you've ever made to the Lord? Have you ever experienced God answer your prayers in a uniquely powerful way? In this week's Bible story, we see how God answered Elijah's prayers.

King Ahab led the people to worship Baal. The prophet Elijah condemned Ahab for leading the people astray and instructed him to gather all the people and prophets of Baal for an epic showdown. The test was simple: both Elijah and the prophets of Baal would offer sacrifices to see if Baal would respond or if God would respond.

The prophets of Baal cried out, danced, and prayed all day with no response or hint of fire on their altar. When Elijah's turn came, he prepared the bull on the altar but took his trust in the Lord a step further by asking for water to be poured on top, saturating it completely. Elijah prayed, "LORD, let it be known that you are God in Israel, and I am your servant. Answer so that this people will know that you, the LORD, are God."

Immediately, fire fell from heaven and completely consumed the offering along with the wood, the stones, and even the water! After the showdown at the altar, Jezebel sought to kill Elijah, and Elijah fled. This time, Elijah's prayer was one of weariness and desperation. Again, God proved faithful to Elijah and answered his prayer. The Lord spoke to Elijah in a whisper and encouraged him, reminding him that the Lord would save those who remained faithful to Him.

The people of Israel knew that the Lord is the one true God when He answered Elijah's prayer and sent fire down from heaven. In the same way, people would know that Jesus is God's Son when the Holy Spirit came down like a dove when Jesus was baptized. Jesus is the Son of God and gave His life up for us.

Remember that God hears and answers the prayers of those who belong to Him. Thank the Lord for His faithfulness to listen and respond to our prayers. Remind the children in your care that through Jesus, we can boldly take our requests to God!

- Who is Elijah & Ahab? Elijah is a Prophet from God; Ahab is an Evil king who lead people away from God.
- Who did king Ahab have the Israelite's worship? A god called Baal
- How did Elijah show God was real and Baal was fake? A contest to see which God could light the burnt offering.
- Who wins? God
- What did Elijah's faith show in regard to this challenge? He could trust God completely
- How do you show God you trust Him?
- What prayers has God answered for you?

Practice: Say (Memorize) Key passage

Pray: Thank God for answering your prayers and building your trust. Ask God to help you know His great plan for you and your family.

Wednesday, August 20th - Awana Parent Meeting—Room 202, 6-7PM (No meal)

We will explain the curriculum, pass out the kids books, provide the schedule for the year, and talk about expectations for the coming year.

Kids 1st grade and up attend meeting with parents

Kindergarten and below go to gym

Saturday Night: (Preschool & Children)

Take a few minutes to debrief last Sunday's lesson.

Preview for Sunday, August 24th

The Reign of Ahab (1 Kings 20-22 & 2 Kings 1)

- Who did King Ahab go into battle with for land? King Ben-hadad of Aram
- Who won? King Ahab of Israel. Only by God's Power
- What was God teaching King Ahab? That God is Lord over all things not king Ahab
- Who's vineyard did king Ahab take? Naboth

Upcoming Activities:

Aug 17	Today Promotion Sunday	
Aug 20	Awana Parent Meeting for Wednesday Nights	6:00 – 7:00
Aug. 27	Preschool / Children Wednesday Nights begins	6:00 – 7:30
	Wednesday Night Meals Begin	5:00PM
Sept 1	Office Closed	
Sept 13	Women's Ministry "Night of Worship and Praise"	6:00 PM WC
Sept 16	Good News Club begins for 6 weeks	2:45—4:15PM
Sept 20	Men's Breakfast	7:30 AM Gym
Sept 30	Men's Fish Fry @ Riverbend	Bus leaves at 4:30
Oct ??	Parent / Baby Dedication (Date TBA)	
Oct 31	Trunk N Treat	6:00—8:00PM

