

<u>Listening to God's Words: the 70 yr Exile (Jeremiah 25:3-14)</u>
July 31, 2022

One Story Resources - Day 211

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Israel has not listened to God for years

"From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, even to this day, this *is* the twenty-third year in which the word of the Lord has come to me; and I have spoken to you, rising early and speaking, but you have not listened. **Jeremiah 25:3 NKJV**

And the Lord has sent to you all His servants the prophets, rising early and sending *them,* but you have not listened nor inclined your ear to hear. **Jeremiah 25:4 NKJV**

They said, 'Repent now everyone of his evil way and his evil doings, and dwell in the land that the Lord has given to you and your fathers forever and ever. **Jeremiah 25:5 NKJV**

Do not go after other gods to serve them and worship them, and do not provoke Me to anger with the works of your hands; and I will not harm you.' **Jeremiah 25:6 NKJV**

Yet you have not listened to Me," says the Lord, "that you might provoke Me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt. **Jeremiah 25:7 NKJV**

Are you listening to God these days?

"Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: **Matthew 7:24 NKJV**

God allowed His people to be taken captive

Therefore thus says the Lord of hosts: 'Because you have not heard My words, Jeremiah 25:8 NKJV

behold, I will send and take all the families of the north,' says the Lord, 'and Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant, and will bring them against this land, against its inhabitants, and against these nations all around, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, a hissing, and perpetual desolations. **Jeremiah 25:9 NKJV**

Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones and the light of the lamp. **Jeremiah 25:10 NKJV**

And this whole land shall be a desolation *and* an astonishment, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. **Jeremiah 25:11 NKJV**

Do you realize God disciplines His children?

My son, do not despise the chastening of the Lord, Nor detest His correction; Proverbs 3:11 NKJV

For whom the Lord loves He corrects, just as a father the son *in whom* he delights.

Proverbs 3:12 NKJV

For thus says the Lord: After seventy years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place. **Jeremiah 29:10 NKJV**

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. **Jeremiah 29:11 NKJV**

God promised to judge every sin

'Then it will come to pass, when seventy years are completed, *that* I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity,' says the Lord; 'and I will make it a perpetual desolation. **Jeremiah 25:12 NKJV**

So I will bring on that land all My words which I have pronounced against it, all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah has prophesied concerning all the nations. **Jeremiah 25:13 NKJV**

(For many nations and great kings shall be served by them also; and I will repay them according to their deeds and according to the works of their own hands.)' " **Jeremiah 25:14 NKJV**

Do you realize God judges every sin?

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, Romans 3:23 NKJV

For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. **2 Corinthians 5:21 NKJV**

This Week's **One Story Bible Readings**:

- 211. Daniel 3, Isaiah 48:10-11, 1 Peter 4:12-14
- 212. Daniel 4, Daniel 5:18-21, Romans 13:1-4
- 213. Daniel 5, Psalm 62:9-12, 1 Peter 5:5-6
- 214. Daniel 6 Psalm 55:16-19, 1 Peter 3:13-17
- 215. Daniel 7, Mark 13:21-27, Mark 14:60-65
- 216. Daniel 9, Jeremiah 25:8-14, Matthew 24:3-2
- 217. Reflection and Prayer

NURSERY

WE CAN TALK TO GOD

GOD HEARS HANNAH'S PRAYERS FOR A BABY



This month we will be learning about how Samuel talked to God as a boy. We will learn that we can talk to God just like Samuel.

Memory Verse: Pray about everything. Philippians 4:6a (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: We Can Talk to God

Parent Connect: Today we started our new series, *We Can Talk to God*. This month we will be learning about Samuel when he was just a boy and heard God talking to him. This month, intentionally start teaching your toddler to pray with you. Each day have your toddler help pray in some way. Maybe this is at meal time, bed time, when he/she is scared, etc.. It's totally okay to keep it simple. Use simple prompts like "Pray and thank God for one thing?" or "Pray and ask God to help (a person or situation)." God loves the simple prayers of a kid!

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KINGS AND PROPHETS



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This month we will be exploring more of the kings and prophets of Israel and Judah. Some kings followed God; most did not. God used the prophets to encourage the people to turn back to God.

Memory Verse: "Be still, and know that I am God! I will be honored by every nation. I will be honored throughout the world." Psalm 46:10

Heart of the Lesson: Bad Choices Have Consequences: Israel Exiled - 2 Kings 25, 2 Chronicles 36

Parent Connect: As a family, play the freeze dance song (many options available on various streaming platforms). When you're done dancing say, "Freezing reminds me of a time out. This game reminds me that we get a time out when we disobey. In today's story the people were very bad and God gave his people a 70 year timeout! They had to learn the hard way that bad choices have consequences."

ELEMENTARY

ROUGH ROAD AHEAD



ONE STORY

ONE STORY - EXILE

In this series, we see God allowing trials and enemies to attack disobedient Israel to try to bring them back to Him. As Israel spirals downward and heads to exile, God shows He is still God and powerful to save and heal when people choose to rely on Him.

Memory Verse: And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. Romans 8:28

Heart of the Lesson: Believe God in the Simple Things - Elisha and Naaman 2 Kings 5

Parent Connect: Have someone in the family share the gospel. Discuss why people don't accept it. Have each person think of someone they know that needs Jesus and pray they would accept the simple gospel.

G56





You Asked For It is back and better than ever! We're putting a fun twist on our classic You Asked For It series by watching videos of Tim answering the questions that YOU, the students of G56, have asked!

Memory Verse: Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Matthew 7:7-8

Heart of the Lesson: If Eve didn't eat the fruit would there be no death? - Genesis 2:15-17, Genesis 3:4-7, Romans 6:23

Parent Connect: How would you answer a friend who asked you "If Eve didn't eat the fruit would there be no death?"

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

GOD IN THE SPIRAL



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Following Jesus No Matter What

The further we get into the Old Testament, the more clear it is that people needed help to follow God. Just like the people of Israel needed to follow God to stay on track, we need to follow God to stay on track too!

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:133 (NIRV) "Teach me how to live as you have promised. Don't let any sin be my master."

Heart of the Lesson: Share Jesus' Good News Even When It's Hard (Jeremiah 25)

Connect:

- What was the message the prophet Jeremiah had for the people of Judah?
- What three things do we need to do to receive the free gift of eternal life from God?
- What message are God's people called to share with others?
- Who do you think you can share the good news of Jesus with?