

## Fellowship Kids

# Twos/Threes Lesson Plan - Sunday School

Sunday, April 26

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UNIT 15 | SESSION 3

## GOD PROMISED A NEW COVENANT

JEREMIAH 17; 31

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**CHRIST CONNECTION:** The people couldn't follow the old rules perfectly, so God made a new promise. When we trust in Jesus, we are part of this new promise, and God gives us new hearts that are filled with his teachings.

**MEMORY VERSE of the Month:** PSALM 145:9- "The Lord is good to everyone."

## Preparation

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### Lesson Context

**This Unit (4 weeks):** The Southern Kingdom of Judah experienced the reign of both good and evil kings. Yet, the people's allegiance was divided between the worship of God and the idols of foreign nations. God sent prophets to warn the people to turn back to Him, but they did not listen. God disciplined His people by sending them into captivity in Babylon but promised they would one day return home.

### Volunteer Huddle | 8:45 a.m.

Meet in the Threes classroom (first floor) for prayer and important info for this Sunday.

### Prep Room | 8:50 a.m.

- Pull out paper and crayons on tables (in Teacher Box)
- If you'd like, put music on the Spotify app on the Roku TV.
- Prep room for any activities you will do during the lesson.

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## Fellowship & Play Time | 9:00-9:15 am

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One volunteer should greet children and families at the door.

### FELLOWSHIP TIME

Allow children time to engage with one another and play. Use this time to get to know your students and hear about their week. What was a good part/hard part or “yay duck”/“yuck duck” of their week?

### MAGNAFILES & COLORING

For free time before the lesson, ask children to come to the tables and give them the option to either 1) build with Magnatiles or 2) color (paper and crayons in Activity Box). Use this time to ask them questions about their week and get to know them.

**During free time, especially because children are at such a young age, please keep a diligent eye and ear on their words and play with one another.**

**TRANSITION:** Give children a *warning* before you ask them to come to a circle

**SAY** *“Everyone, in 5 minutes we are going to pick up our toys and gather in a circle!”*

Sing the clean up song and ask children to come find a seat in the circle.

## Activity | 9:15 am

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### REVIEW CLASSROOM RULES

Post the **Rules Poster** (in Activity Box) somewhere in the room.

### SORT NEW AND OLD PICTURES

Gather children around you on the floor or at the table and take out the pictures of old and new objects (in Activity Box). Hold up each picture individually and ask kids if you think it looks old or new. Sort them out. Once all pictures are sorted, lead children to match the old picture with the new version.

**SAY** *Jeremiah was a special messenger sent by God. Today we will learn that he told the people that because they could not follow God's rules perfectly, God was going to make a new promise to replace the old promise. God promised forgiveness to those who trust in Him. When we trust in Jesus, we are part of this new promise. God puts His teachings in our hearts. This means God helps us remember His words from the Bible.*

## Lesson | 9:20 am

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*Let children know your expectations during the lesson - that you would like them to sit quietly, keep their hands to themselves, listen to the story, etc.*

### 1. Open the Bible & Pray

Open to **JEREMIAH 17** in your Bible. **Reverently display the open Bible.**

**SAY** *Today, we will be in the book of JEREMIAH. Jeremiah was a prophet who delivered God's messages to God's people. Jeremiah is a longer book that is in the Old Testament. Let's hear this true story from God's Word.*

**Pray** quickly for your time in the Word of God.

### 2. Tell the Bible Story

Use the **visuals** (in Activity Box) if you'd like to help children follow along with the story.

## **GOD PROMISED A NEW COVENANT**

God sent a helper—a prophet named Jeremiah—to talk to His people because the people were doing wrong things.

Jeremiah said that if the people trust in God, they will be like strong trees.

Jeremiah also said that sometimes our hearts can trick us, so we should not follow them. But God knows what's in our hearts, and He gives us what we need.

Jeremiah told the people that sometimes we think we'll be happy if we do things our own way instead of God's way, and that is why we sin. We need God's help to do what is right. We need God to give us completely new hearts.

Then Jeremiah shared happy news. He said that God was going to make a new promise to His people. God said, "I will be your God, and you will be My people. I love you so much, and I will take care of you like a shepherd takes care of his sheep. I will make you happy again. I will forgive your sins."

**Christ Connection:** *The people couldn't follow the old rules perfectly, so God made a new promise. When we trust in Jesus, we are part of this new promise, and God gives us new hearts that are filled with his teachings.*

### 3. Review the Bible Story

- **What was the prophet's name that we talked about today?** (*Jeremiah*)
- **Could we keep all of God's rules or do the right thing on our own?** (*No, without God's help we cannot do what is good.*)
- **How do we get new hearts and become a part of God's new promise?** (*By believing and trusting in Jesus as our savior!*)

### 4. Pray

## Memory Verse | 9:35 am

Open your Bible to **PSALM 145:9** and lead the kids to repeat the abridged verse several times, using hand motions if you'd like:

**"The Lord is good to everyone."**

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## - PSALM 145:9

**SAY:** *The key passage phrase reminds us that God cares for us like a good shepherd cares for his sheep. God protects us. He is our good Shepherd!*

### REVIEW MOTIONS

If you created a jingle or motions to your memory verse last week, review them with the children. Repeat the verse several times with kids.

### PLAY THE MUSIC VIDEO

Have the children repeat the verse with you several times. Then play the memory verse music video from the YouTube app on the Roku TV (*YouTube account should be [Fellowship Kids](#) (switch accounts on the top of the left sidebar if not) > go to [Library](#) on the left side bar > Choose [Playlists](#) on the top > choose your classroom*).

*After the activity, invite children to sit at the tables to complete their activity pages.*

## Extra Activity | 9:40 am

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### PRETEND TO BE A STRONG TREE


Guide the children to scatter around the room and pretend to be trees. Suggest that they hold out their arms like branches. Pretend to be the wind and walk around the room blowing or waving your arms like the wind. Let different children pretend to be the wind and blow around the room.

**SAY:** *God sent the prophet Jeremiah to talk to His people. God wanted His people to be strong and to stop doing wrong things. Jeremiah said that if the people trusted in God, they would be like strong trees. Jeremiah said that sometimes our hearts trick us but that God knows what we need and will give it to us. The Bible tells us that the Lord is good to everyone.*

## Activity Pages + Transition | 9:45 am

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### ACTIVITY PAGES



Invite children to the tables and pass out the week's **Activity Page** (in Activity Box) and **crayons** (in Teacher Box) to each child. Have them work on it as the new Worship Service volunteer team arrives.

### **TRANSITION TEAMS**

The worship service volunteer team will switch into the classroom at 9:50. **Please do not leave the classroom until the next service's volunteers have arrived and are ready to take responsibility for the class.** Call the Team Lead if the worship service volunteers have not arrived on time.

If needed, let them know about any pertinent information on children, the lesson, etc.

