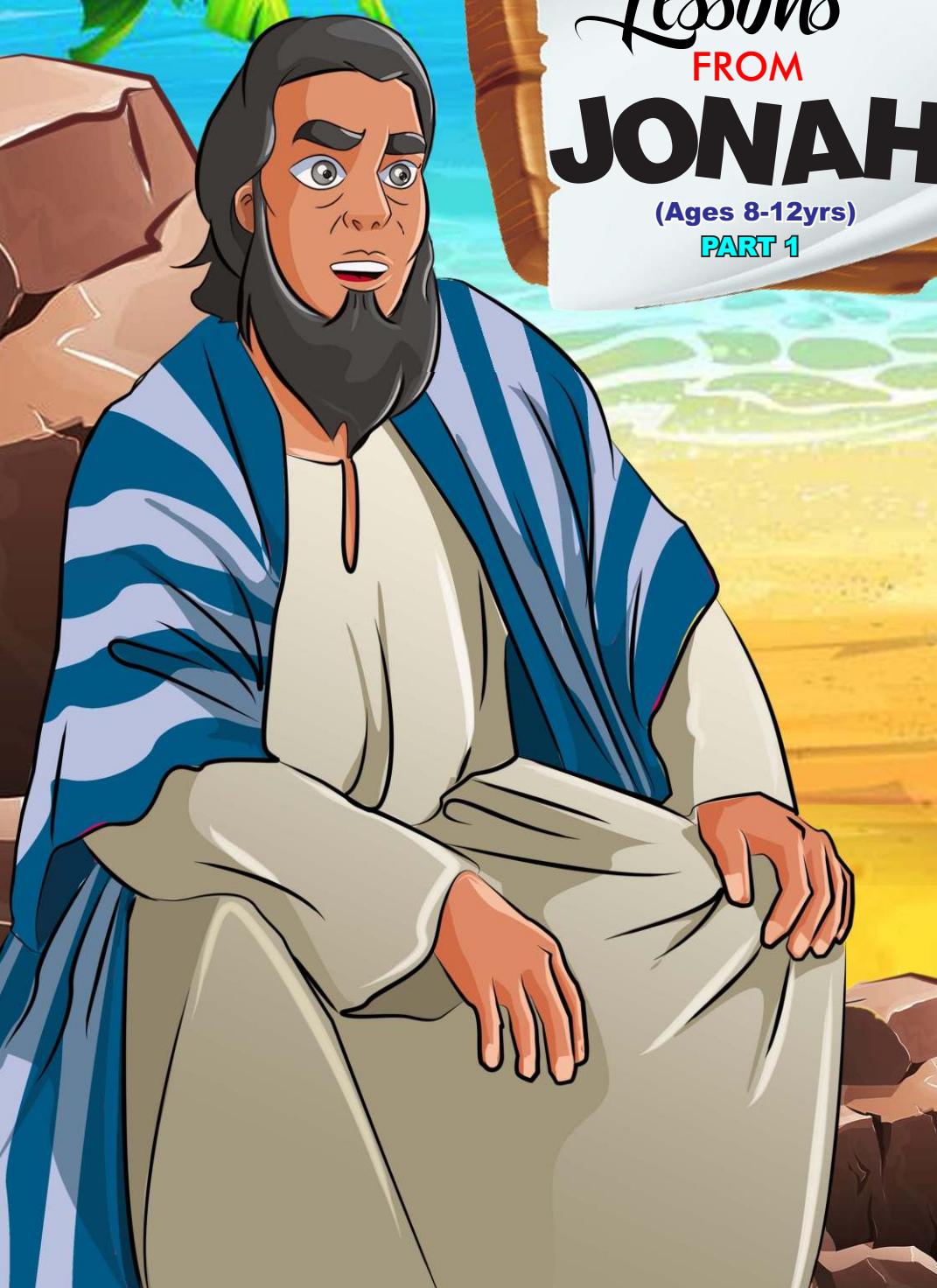
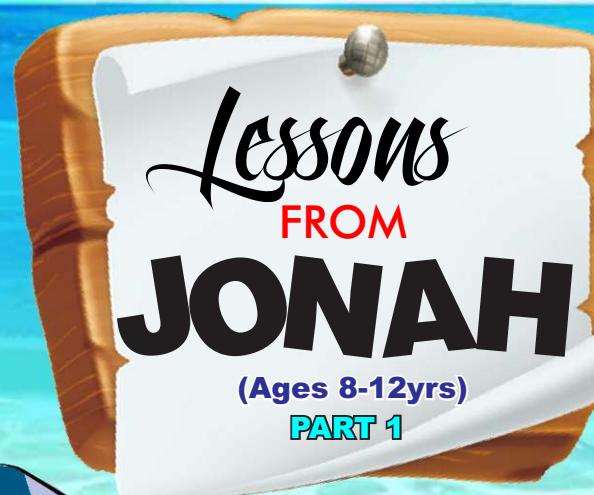


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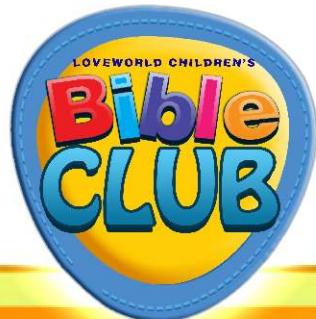
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Upper Elementary & Preteens
CHILDREN'S CLUB
(Ages 8-12yrs)

Raising Champions... Influencing Tomorrow...

LOVEWORLD CHILDREN'S BIBLE CLUB

LoveWorld Children's Bible Club is an Initiative to reach children beyond Our Church walls; Children who are unchurched in an informal setting. LoveWorld Children's Bible Club reaches children ages 3 years through to 12years right where they are in a given neighbourhood or community in a fun-filled atmosphere.

LCBC Sessions are each about an hour and a half long. Usually these sessions fall on consecutive days though they may be set one session a week as you prefer. The setting for a LoveWorld Children's Bible Club can be most anywhere there are children in your community such as Community Centers, Youth Halls, Church Premises, Park (Where You Have Good Year-Round Weather) Community Halls, Schools and Neighbourhood Backyard.

The Club focuses on Bible study and its application to the life of the child including fun activities.

"Preschool Club" for boys and Girls ages 3, 4 & 5years and "The Children's Club" for Children ages 6 - 12years.

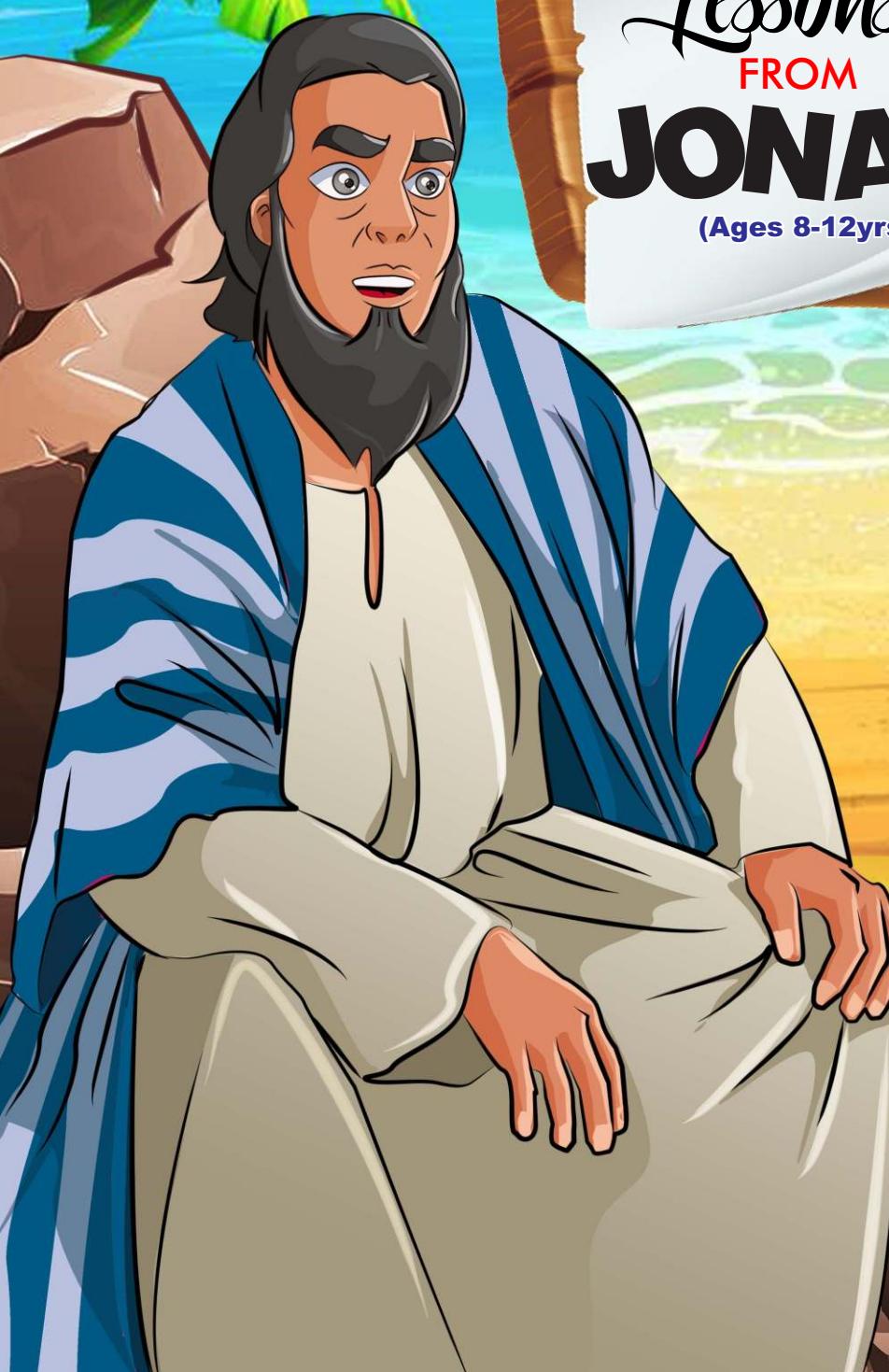
There are stories of many prophets in the Bible. Some of these prophets includes Moses, Elijah, Elisha, Jeremiah and many more.

In this study, we shall learn about "Lessons From Jonah". God always send a man to pass his message across to others and that was the story of Jonah. From the study, we will learn about Jonah; his response to God, the message he was given, where was he sent to and how the people responded.

Encourage your kids to pay attention as they learn that God has a plan and purpose for our lives and He is always there to help us fulfil it.



Lessons
FROM
JONAH
(Ages 8-12yrs)



INTRODUCTION

Congratulations! Welcome to 2021 LCBC.

The "Lessons from Jonah" is a Summer Vacation Program in the LCBC that includes Bible stories, snacks, crafts, and games with reproducible activity resource sheets and colourful visuals. This seasonal curriculum is an exciting; Bible based program, quite intensive and interactive Bible study that will provide spiritual growth and development for the children while they have fun learning God's Word.

Your kids will travel on a journey of discovery and enjoy the story of Jonah at their own level. Crafts and games in the Elementary/Preteens Leader's Guide are child-friendly, the LCBC program is completely flexible and a great way to include your children in the LCBC activities suitable for them.

Each week, your kids will:

- Learn a Bible verse about Jonah written for their age level
- Learn short Bible memory verses
- Engage with each lesson activities
- Play games (indoor or outdoor games)
- Make a simple craft to take home
- Have yummy snacks etc.

The LCBC program includes registration cards, safety tips, a course overview, outdoor game, memory verse activity, "How to Lead a Child to Christ," recruiting tips, and lots more. The Coordinator's Guide includes decorating ideas, tips for working with kids, a suggested rotation schedule, Useful templates and sign-in sheet.

It also includes a typical team structure and terms of reference for your Snack Leader, Bible Story Leader, Games Leader, and Crafts Leader. You can print instructions for the leaders each day of your Program so they can collect any needed supplies and decide which options to use.

The study guide is broken down into parts, structured into 9 weeks. The LCBC kit contains all the information you need to pull off a fun and exciting program. In it, you will find the Teachers' Handbook, Children's Activity Books, and Parent Resource Book for the children to take home for their parents. Please carefully go through all of the content before sharing it with your Volunteers so you can be prepared to answer any questions they may have.

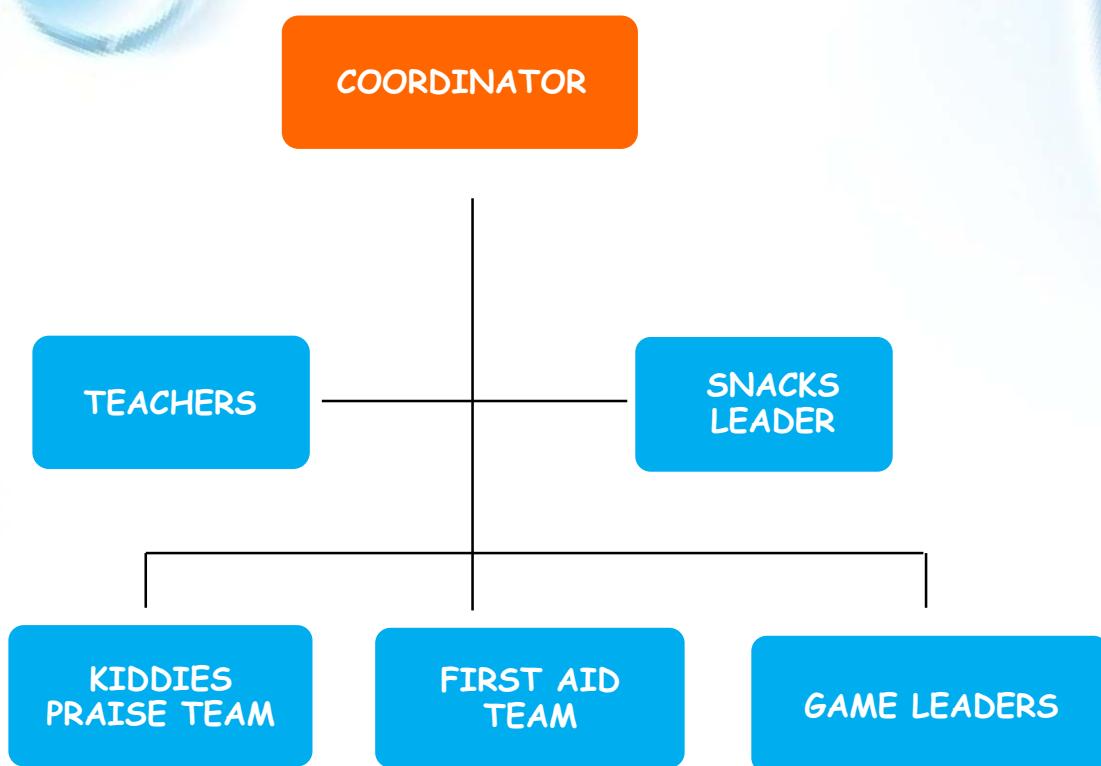
THEME: "LESSONS FROM JONAH"

OBJECTIVES:

- To teach the children that God has responsibilities for His children at every point in time.
- To teach the children that following God's instructions is essential for all children of God.
- To teach the children that God helps His children succeed in achieving given assignments.
- To teach the children that God still watches over them even when they do wrong.
- The children will learn that God sends us help when we need it.
- To teach the children that no one can run away from God and that fulfilling God's purpose is rewarding.
- As the Word of God comes to the children for the period of the program, it will help them experience a glorious transformation in their lives to be obedient, and win souls.

TEACHER'S GUIDE

Typical Theme Structure For LCBC Program On Lessons From Jonah



Coordinators: As the coordinator of "The LCBC," you would be in charge of The Bible Club and its administration. You would have to make sure all the other volunteers know the roles each of them has to play for the duration of the LCBC. In addition, while the children are in their age group classes, you as the coordinator would go round visiting these groups, making sure everything is running smoothly.

Teachers: These are the small group teachers. They play the greatest role in planting and nurturing God's Word in the hearts of the children. They would each have their own small group class and would be responsible for the day's lesson for that class for the duration of the LCBC.

The teachers need to have patience and good listening skills. They must be able to communicate the lessons in a meaningful way to the children.

Snacks leader: These are the people or volunteers responsible for snacks and water for the children. They are in charge of organizing all the food and juice. They will make sure there is always water in the water dispensers. You could help supervise them so they stay as organized as possible.

These set of volunteers also help set things up for each day's activity, cleaning up before and after the day's activity and they could help with signing in the children, for each day of the LCBC. The decorators and cleaners fall into this category. Anyone can be comfortable serving here, since this job requires no special skills.

Game Leaders/ Creative Corner Instructor: The game leaders' volunteer is in charge of the field games. These people make "LCBC" possible. You could recruit some adults and teenagers to work as your volunteers. They should be energetic and able to discipline the groups of children. Through the games, they would help teach the children the practical application to the day's Word Seed. Playing games that relate to the lesson helps the children understand the Word better. Be sure they are energetic enough to handle comfortably groups of active children, as this is the time when the children are most likely to be injured or disorganized. Patience and a firm hand will be the key to keep the children safe while playing.

The creative corner volunteers would be in charge of the creative corner stand where the children will have an opportunity to plant some seeds, take care of them and watch them grow. This group of volunteers has to be patient enough to teach the children and guide them on what to do.

Kiddies Praise Team: If you have a children's choir, you could handpick some members of the choir or the children that lead praise and worship to be a part of this band. The songs should be familiar songs and they will be in charge of assembly every morning before the kids go to their different groups. You could also have children who play different musical instruments such as the drum set, the keyboard, the flute, any other instrument available to spice up the band too.

First Aid Team: These volunteers would be on standby just in case any of the children sustain any form of injury in the course of the program. Have a member of this team stationed near the games area, as this is where the children would be engaged in a lot of physical activity.

USEFUL TEMPLATES AND GRAPHICS

T-shirt



Flyer/Handbill



Button Badge

2.75inc



Banner Design



LCBC Wristband Samples



LCBC Sign In Card



LCBC Child Badge

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LCBC Child Registration Card

LCBC REGISTRATION CARD	
Name _____	Date _____
Address _____	City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Date of Birth _____	Date _____
Older Club _____	Our Goals _____
Facilities Needed _____	Do They Want To Work _____
Parent Name _____	Parent Signature _____
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OVERVIEW ON THE THEME: LESSONS FROM JONAH

S/N	MODULE 1: GOD SENDS JONAH	S/N	MODULE 2: GOD RULES IN THE AFFAIRS OF MEN
1	GOD SENDS JONAH	5	THE BIG FISH SWALLOWS JONAH
2	JONAH RUNS FROM GOD	6	THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD
3	THE LORD MADE A STRONG WIND BLOW	7	JONAH REPENTS
4	JONAH ASKS TO BE THROWN INTO THE SEA	8	THE PEOPLE OF NINEVEH REPENT
		9	LESSONS FROM JONAH

SCOPE & SEQUENCE OF DAILY OR ROTATION SCHEDULE

Welcome & Check in or Registration

Children are required to register and check in for each class daily and issued a branded wristband [a different colour / design one for each week] or the registration card.

Provide board games and videos that would help children settle down and be comfortable with the environment.

Round Up The Troops - Prayer Time

Get the children to come together in a large group for a session of prayer to start the day's activities.

Appoint Prayer Leaders. Prayer session should allow for active participation of all the children by reading out the prayer outlines one at a time and rounded up by the leaders.

Rhapsody Time

Include the reading of the daily devotional for Kids and Early Readers as applicable to their age grade

Small Group Lessons

Children should break away into small groups by age groupings.

Discussion Time

Refer to "Lessons from Jonah Sheets", to steer the discussion.

Encourage everyone in the group to participate and don't forget to acknowledge valuable insight and contributions.

Snack & Juice Break

Have long tables of snacks with attendants appointed from the students to serve....

Craft & Activity Time

Children will have fun colouring and engage in other hands-on activities.

Outdoor Fun Time

Always a welcome break...

Review & Refresh - "Lessons From Jonah" Confession Time

Confessions should align with theme and topics to give the students an opportunity to relate and experience the message.

Check Out

This should be done orderly and decently. Get the kids to help tidy up before they leave.

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Coordinator's Duties

Preparation:

One of your daily duties is to make sure the volunteers know what they are expected to do. Start each day at least half an hour before the children arrive, so you have enough time to talk and pray with all the volunteers, and to handle any last-minute issues. Also, do a check on the following:

- **Kiddies Praise Team:** do you know the songs? Is the projector working well, are the slideshows up, and ready to be shown?
- **Snacks Leader:** Are the snacks, juice and water ready?
- **Game Leaders:** do you have your equipment ready and complete? Are the soil and seeds for today's activity available for the children to use? Do you know the game for this week and the Spiritual point/lesson behind it?
- **Teachers:** do you understand the Bible lesson topic you will be teaching? Do you have your class roster? Do you have any questions?
- **Volunteers:** do you all know where you will be serving today? Who is to handle sign in for today? Are the name tags/wristbands available?
- **First Aid Team:** Do you have the essential items in your first-aid kit box?
- **Group Schedule:** does everyone have a copy of the group schedule for today?

Sign in

The farmhands should make sure all the children registered as they come in. Their name tags/wrist bands given to them as they register for security purposes and easy identification.

ASSEMBLY TIME

Worship Session

Praise and worship take place in the morning after the children signed in for the day. Every day you will welcome the children first and pray with them together in a large group. Then the Kiddies Praise Band takes over. The songs could be limited to three or four. They should be simple songs that the children may already know or related to the day or week's topic. The time duration for this activity should be about 20 minutes.

Large Group Class

After the worship session, get the children ready to hear the Word of God. The Large Group Class includes Rhapsody of Realities time where the Farmer (Coordinator) reads and explains the ROR for Early Readers to all the children. Kindly share copies of rhapsody to first timers.

Small Group Time

At the end of the large group class, the children should break up into smaller classes or groups with their teachers. The small groups will go through the activities outlined below each day. More than one group can be at the food stand, and field games, but try to limit the number of groups at the Creative Corner to no more than two.

Bible Lesson/Activity Book

This is a time for the Teachers to sit down with their small groups of children to share with them and discuss in details the topic for the day. At the end of the discussion, the children get to work on their activity books. It helps drive home further the lesson they learnt from that day's topic.

Field Games

The Field Games are where the children get to burn off some extra energy playing physical games. Each day they will take part in a game that relates to the lesson. After playing the game, the Game Leaders will discuss the spiritual meaning behind the game and its relationship to the Bible lesson for that day. This presents another opportunity for the children to understand better what they learnt. Be sure to provide water on the Field.

SNACK TIME

This is a time for the children to take a break and relax. The snacks should be prepared ahead of time by the Kitchen Helps or a Caterer contracted for the job. The snacks should be arranged neatly in packs and the water or juice bottled up (i.e., in small take-away bottles). Better still, you could have water/juice dispensers at the stand filled with water and/or juice and disposable cups by the side. When the children come around, all they have to do is pick up a cup and get water or juice from the dispensers provided. The Snacks Leaders should be on ground to hand out the snack packs and operate the water dispensers. Be sure you (the Coordinator) are there to monitor and ensure things run smoothly.

Closing Time

At the end of the day's activities, all the children, their teachers and the volunteers should come together to form a large group. This will be the Large Group Closing Time where you get to pray with the children and remind them of the lesson for that day. Also, use this time to remind the children of the memory verse for the day.

Closing in large group time ends the day and makes it easier for parents/guardians to find their children.

N/B: You could have the children remain in a large group or disperse them to their individual small groups, whichever is more convenient for the parents/guardians to pick them up.

LEADING A CHILD TO CHRIST

What does a child need to know to appreciate Jesus' death and receive Him as Saviour?

These basic facts should be emphasized:

1. God loves all kids - including me. I don't have to earn His love.
2. God sent Jesus to save the whole world.
3. Jesus died to pay for my sin.
4. I must accept Jesus as my Saviour to receive God's gift of eternal life.
5. When I do this, I become God's child.

PRAYER OF SALVATION

"Oh Lord God, I come to you in the Name of your Son, Jesus Christ. I believe in my heart that He came into this world and died for my sins and the sins of the whole world. I believe that He was raised up from the dead and He is alive today. I confess with my mouth, that Jesus Christ is Lord of my life. I receive eternal life into my spirit. Therefore, I declare that I am saved. I am born again. I now have Christ dwelling in me. Thank you Father. Amen!"

MODULE 1:

GOD SENDS JONAH

MODULE 1 OUTLINE
MODULE 1 THEME- GOD SENDS JONAH

LESSON	TOPIC	OBJECTIVE	SCRIPTURE REFERENCE	MEMORY VERSE	ACTIVITY
MODULE 1	GOD SENDS JONAH				
1	GOD SENDS JONAH	To teach the children that God has responsibilities for His children at every point in time.	Jonah 1:1-2	James 1:22 NIV	SEE ACTIVITY PAGE
2	JONAH RUNS FROM GOD	To teach the children that walking with God is better than running from God's instructions.	Jonah 1:3	Joshua 23:8 NLT	SEE ACTIVITY PAGE
3	THE LORD MADE A STRONG WIND BLOW	To teach the children that God helps His children succeed in achieving given assignments.	Jonah 1:4-5	Hebrews 12:6 ICB	SEE ACTIVITY PAGE
4	JONAH ASKS TO BE THROWN INTO THE SEA	To teach the children that God still watches over His children even when they do wrong.	Jonah 1:6-13	Philippians 2:3 NIV	SEE ACTIVITY PAGE



GOD SENDS JONAH



LESSON 1:

GOD SENDS JONAH

Learning Outcome

The children will learn that God has responsibilities for His children at every point in time.

TO THE BIBLE: Jonah 1:1-2 (NIV)

"The word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai: "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me."

LET'S TALK

Teacher says: Hello kids, welcome to 2021 LCBC! Who can tell us something unique about Jonah? (Kindly allow children to respond briefly, and share their favourite portion of Jonah's story in the Bible). Interesting! Jonah was called by God but went somewhere else instead of going where God sent him. Today we are looking at the topic, "God Sends Jonah". Let us read that together in Jonah 1:1-2.

Teacher: Read, or have a student read, the passage. You can go around the room and have each student read one verse at a time.

"The Lord spoke his word to Jonah son of Amittai:", notice that the message Jonah received was from God. Had the message come from some mere man, it would not carry much weight. Because this is a word from God, it becomes important and urgent. Was the word of God important to Jonah? Let's find out in the next verse.

"Get up, go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it. I see the evil things they do." In this verse, the instructions God gave Jonah were very specific. There was no way Jonah could misunderstand what God wanted him to do. Who can tell us what they understand as the next line of action Jonah is meant to take from what God told him from verse two (2)? (Allow kids respond)

The instructions are:

- 1) Jonah is meant to get up immediately and make whatever travel plans necessary in order to travel from wherever he was in Israel to the city of Nineveh. Practically speaking he was to prepare for the journey immediately.

2) By the time Jonah arrive Nineveh, He's meant to raise his voice and cry out against the wickedness of that city. Practically speaking, that meant he would simply stand out in public where people could hear him and loudly preach a message of God's judgment.

This is the only recorded instance of an Old Testament prophet being sent to a Gentile city to proclaim the word of the Lord. Do you think Jonah understood the instructions God gave him? (Allow kids respond) I'm pretty sure that Jonah clearly understood the instructions. There was nothing vague or hidden about what God wanted him to do. Sometimes our excuse for not obeying God is that we didn't know exactly what He wanted us to do. Many times, we do find ourselves in a position where the word of the Lord is not completely clear to us. When you find yourself in such situation, you can ask questions from your spiritual leaders like your teachers and pastors in Church.

But that was not the case here with Jonah, he couldn't say that God didn't make the instructions clear enough. His problem was not that he had a hard time understanding the instructions - his problem was that he was not willing to obey.

Don't be like Jonah. At times some of us know exactly what God wants us to do but we struggle with obeying what He has instructed us to do. As God's children you are meant to receive God's instructions with a willing heart to obey. No matter how tough it might be, if you love God you would obey Him.

MEMORY VERSE: Jonah 1: 22(NIV)

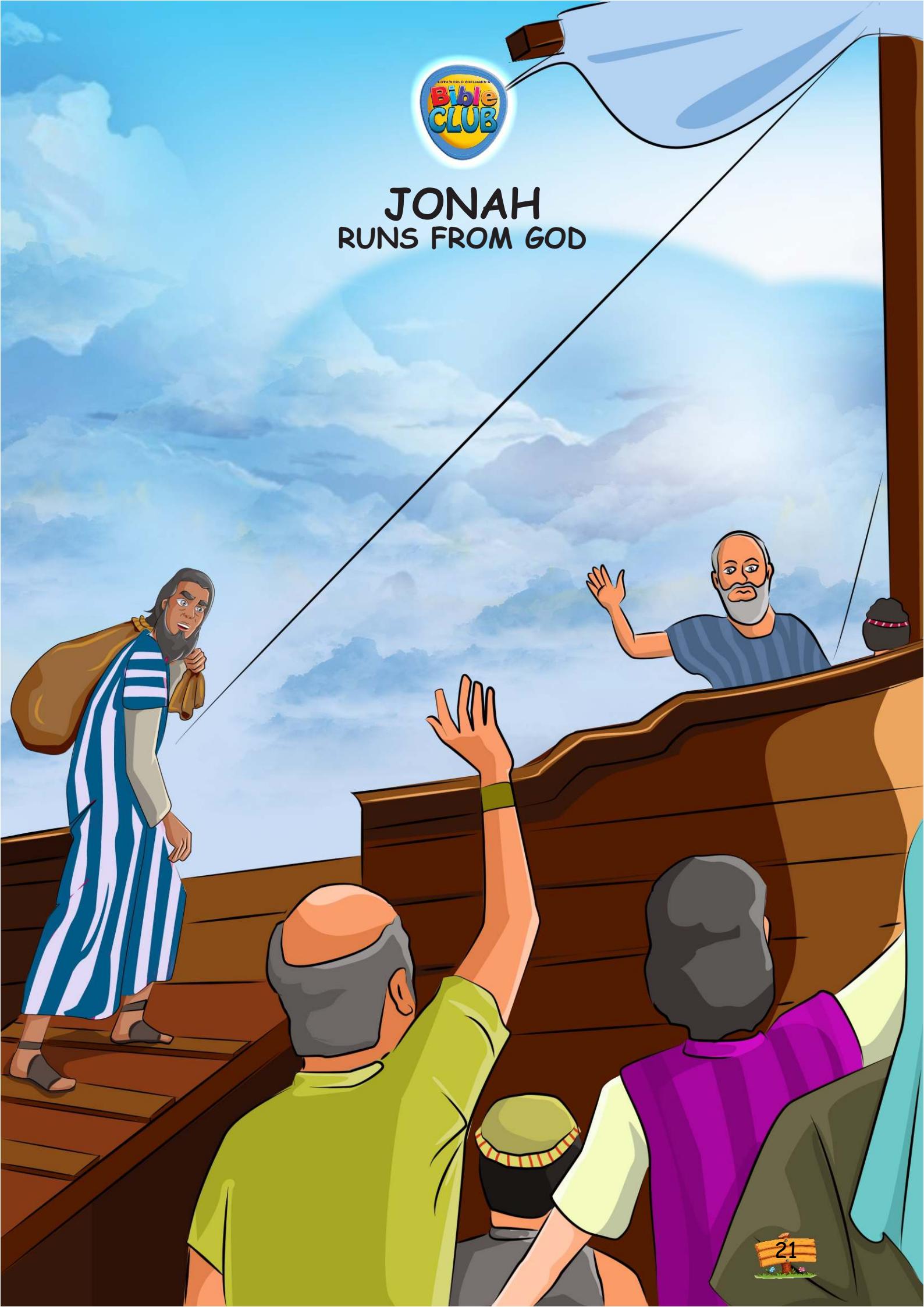
"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

CONFESION

"Dear Father, thank you for the opportunity to learn from your Word. My heart is open to obey every instruction from you in Jesus' Name. Amen!"



JONAH RUNS FROM GOD



LESSON 2:

JONAH

RUNS FROM GOD

Learning Outcome

The children will learn that following God's instructions is essential for all children of God.

TO THE BIBLE: Jonah 1:3 (NIV)

"But Jonah ran away from the Lord and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the Lord."

LET'S TALK

Teacher says: Hello kids, welcome to LCBC week 2! Who can tell us something you learnt about Jonah from our previous lesson? (Kindly allow children to respond briefly). Interesting! Jonah was called by God; he understands God's instructions for Him but doesn't have a willing heart to obey. Today we are looking at the topic, "Jonah Runs from God". Let's read that verse in Jonah 1:3 (NIV).

Teacher: Read, or have a student read, the passage. You can go around the room and have each student read the verse.

"But Jonah got up to run away from the Lord. He went to the city of Joppa. There he found a ship that was going to the city of Tarshish. Jonah paid for the trip and went aboard. He wanted to go to Tarshish to run away from the Lord." You will notice from where we read that Jonah got up to run away from the Lord, He decided to go somewhere different and aboard a ship to Tarshish instead of where God sent him. Now for those who weren't with us at the previous lesson, the story started from when God sends one of the prophets of Israel named Jonah and He says, "Arise, go to Nineveh the great city, and cry against it, for their wickedness has come up before Me". Well, that plan sounded very reasonable until you realize that Nineveh is one of the major cities of Assyria, and the Assyrians were enemies of the Jews. They were hated by the Jews because they were ruthless, wicked, and cruel.

One may wonder why Jonah chose to go elsewhere. Jonah wasn't afraid to go to Nineveh. The big question then is why did Jonah run away to a different destination instead of going to Nineveh? (Allow kids respond) I know some of you might think Jonah is afraid of going to Nineveh because they are wicked. Jonah confesses later that his greatest fear was that these unbelievers would repent, and that God, because He is a compassionate God, would turnaround and forgive them despite their wickedness.

Our major focus today, is Jonah escape route. Jonah went down to Joppa, found a ship headed for Tarshish, and paid the fare- he was RUNNING FROM GOD. This raises some important questions for you and I today. What is God telling you to do today that you may not want to do, or feel like doing? Of course, we're not talking about God audibly

speaking out of the sky, or whispering in your ear to tell you what to do. God speaks to us today through His Word, He tells us what He wants us to be in His Word. He tells us how to live in His Word and some of what He tells us goes against our personal desires, just like His command to Jonah went against His- but the question is, are you doing God's will? When you think about what God wants you to be, what He wants you to do, what He wants you to change, what He wants you to work on, what He wants you to accomplish, what He wants you to produce, what He wants you to use, what He wants you to give- when you think about all of that, the question then is, are you willing to do what He wants you to do or are you running from Him?

Are you headed to Nineveh like He has commanded or are you headed somewhere else like Jonah headed to Tarshish? Dear kids, there is no sense or gain in seeking to run from God's commands. The times we are in right now, God is speaking to us to preach the gospel more than ever before. Have you been telling your classmates, neighbours and friends that Jesus loves them? If no, start doing so from today, it is not too late to do so.

You don't have to be like Jonah, you don't have to run, you don't have to hide, you don't have to disobey, you don't have to rebel. Instead, if you've accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour you can now walk with God, if you're not this is the time to do so. Running away from God isn't good enough. You need God to be your friend, your guide and shelter. You can cleave and draw near to God; you can have fellowship with Him. Hallelujah!

Teacher: kindly lead the kids who are not yet born again through the prayer of salvation.

"Oh Lord God, I come to you in the Name of your Son, Jesus Christ. I believe in my heart that He came into this world and died for my sins and the sins of the whole world. I believe that He was raised up from the dead and He is alive today. I confess with my mouth, that Jesus Christ is Lord of my life. I receive eternal life into my spirit. Therefore, I declare that I am saved. I am born again. I now have Christ dwelling in me. Thank you Father. Amen!"

MEMORY VERSE: Joshua23:8 NLT

"Rather, cling tightly to the Lord your God as you have done until now".

CONFESION

Dear Father, thank you for giving me your Word to learn and apply to my life. I receive understanding to obey and walk with you through your Word in Jesus Name, Amen.



THE LORD MADE A STRONG WIND BLOW





THE LORD MADE A STRONG WIND BLOW

Learning Outcome

The children will learn that God helps His children succeed in achieving given assignments.

TO THE BIBLE: Jonah 1:4-5(NIV)

"Then the Lord sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up. All the sailors were afraid and each cried out to his own god. And they threw the cargo into the sea to lighten the ship."

LET'S TALK

Teacher says: Hello kids, welcome to LCBC week 3! Who can tell us something you learnt about how Jonah ran away from God based on our previous lesson? (Kindly allow children to respond briefly). Interesting! Jonah was called by God; he decided to run to Tarshish instead of Nineveh. As God's children you are to do what God wants you to do and not hide from him. Today we are looking at the topic, "The Lord Made A Strong Wind Blow". Let's read together to see what happen to Jonah while running away in the Bible verses from Jonah 1:4-5 (ICB).

Teacher: Read, or have a student read, the passage. You can go around the room and have each student read one verse.

"But the Lord sent a great wind on the sea. This wind made the sea very rough. So, the ship was in danger of breaking apart. The sailors were afraid. Each man cried to his own god. The men began throwing the cargo into the sea. This would make the ship lighter so it would not sink. But, Jonah had gone down into the ship to lie down. He fell fast asleep." Notice the way the first part of verse 4 is? And the Lord hurled a great wind on the sea -have you ever been in a storm on a lake in a boat? (Allow kids respond) If you've ever been down there, you'll know that it's beautiful sight to behold, but can also bring fear when facing a storm.

Now we need to pause at this point and ask some questions. Why did God do this? Was He being mean, and cruel to one of His children? (Allow kids respond) The answer is --- No, He was being loving. God was doing exactly what you'd expect a loving heavenly father to do. This is because it wasn't in Jonah's best interest to continue to go to Tarshish. It wasn't in his best interest to continue to disobey God. So, as hard as Jonah was running, God was faithfully following, He didn't give up on him.

God is our loving father, one who faithfully helps His children, obey and enjoy His blessings. God was judging Jonah, because God loved Jonah and He didn't want to see him continue doing wrong.

If you're running from God, the Judgment may spill over on the people who are with you. Did Jonah's wrongdoing affect only Jonah? (Allow kids respond) No, Jonah's disobedience affected Jonah and everybody else around him. What a terrible thing. The Sailors who didn't know the Lord partook of the turbulence Jonah caused.

In verse 4, the ship is about to break up, whose ship? was it Jonah's ship or was it just the part of the ship that Jonah was riding in? The entire ship offcourse. Verse 5 says that the sailors were afraid, other verses goes on to say that they cried out to their pagan gods, they were crying out to idols without ears or hands that had no possible way of providing the salvation they needed. Offcause their dead gods could not help them. Then they start throwing the cargo overboard.

All this happened because of the disobedience of Jonah. Obeying God is key to every child of God. "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15)

As God's children always be where God wants you to be. The right way is God's way and nothing else. Hallelujah!

MEMORY VERSE: Hebrew 12:6 NIV

"... the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son."

CONFESSON

"Dear Father, thank you for loving and guiding me as a father loves his child. I repent of all wrong doing and cling with you through your Word in Jesus' Name, Amen".



JONAH ASKS TO BE THROWN INTO THE SEA





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Learning Outcome

The children will learn that even when His children do wrong God still watches over them.

TO THE BIBLE: Jonah 1:6-13

"The captain went to him and said, "How can you sleep? Get up and call on your god! Maybe he will take notice of us so that we will not perish." Then the sailors said to each other, "Come, let us cast lots to find out who is responsible for this calamity." They cast lots and the lot fell on Jonah. So they asked him, "Tell us, who is responsible for making all this trouble for us? What kind of work do you do? Where do you come from? What is your country? From what people are you?" He answered, "I am a Hebrew and I worship the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land." This terrified them and they asked, "What have you done?" (They knew he was running away from the Lord, because he had already told them so.) The sea was getting rougher and rougher. So they asked him, "What should we do to you to make the sea calm down for us?" "Pick me up and throw me into the sea," he replied, "and it will become calm. I know that it is my fault that this great storm has come upon you." Instead, the men did their best to row back to land. But they could not, for the sea grew even wilder than before".

LET'S TALK

Teacher says: Hello kids, welcome to LCBC week 4! Who can tell us something you learnt about what God did to Jonah while running to Tarshish based on our previous lesson? (Kindly allow children to respond briefly). Interesting! Jonah was called by God; he chose to run to Tarshish instead of Nineveh and God made a strong wind blow his ship while sailing to Tarshish. As God's children you are to do what God wants you to do and not hide from him. Running from God isn't good at all as it comes you miss out on His blessings. Today we are looking at the topic, "**Jonah Asks to Be Thrown into The Sea**". Let us see what happened to Jonah while the strong wind blew the ship Jonah 1:6-13

Teacher: The captain of the ship came and said, "Why are you sleeping? Get up! Pray to your god! Maybe your god will pay attention to us. Maybe he will save us!" The captain and crew were certain they would die without supernatural intervention. The storm was a result of God's determination to bring Jonah to Nineveh as He had commanded. But Jonah was determined to change God's plan, and in verse 6, we heard the pagan ship captain ordering Jonah to pray to his God for intervention.

Jonah at this point was in a dilemma. What is a dilemma? (a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more alternatives, especially ones that are equally undesirable). Jonah knew he was the cause of the turbulence on the ship and he is being persuaded to pray to his God. Can Jonah really pray knowing so well that God is responsible for what is happening?

Jonah was not a wicked man but his act of disobedience made it look like he was. Jonah finally takes up responsibility for the trouble in the ship. He says "Pick me up and throw me into the sea and it will become calm. I know that it is my fault that this great storm has come upon you."

The men did not want Jonah to die. They didn't want to throw him into the sea but after they tried severally to row back to land, they could not, for the sea grew even wilder than before.

What became of Jonah? Was he thrown into the sea to abate the storm? We will find out in our subsequent lesson.

MEMORY VERSE: Philippians 2:3 NIV

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves".

CONFESION

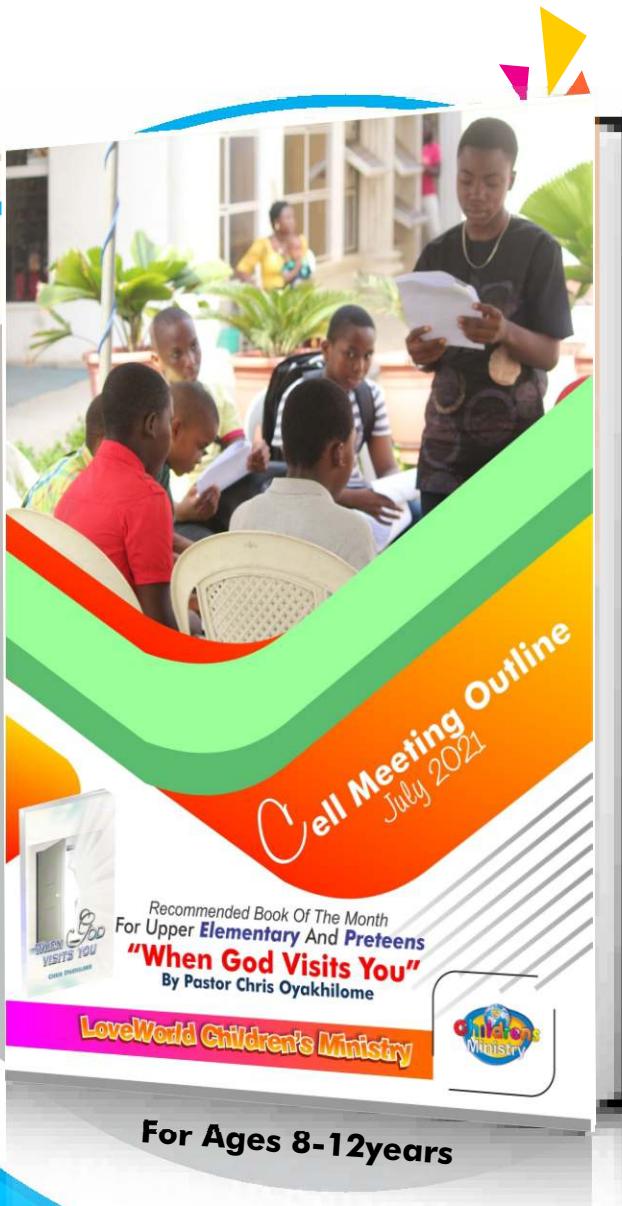
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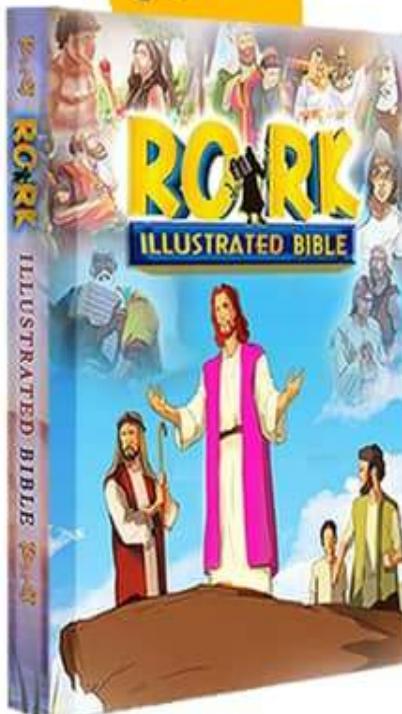
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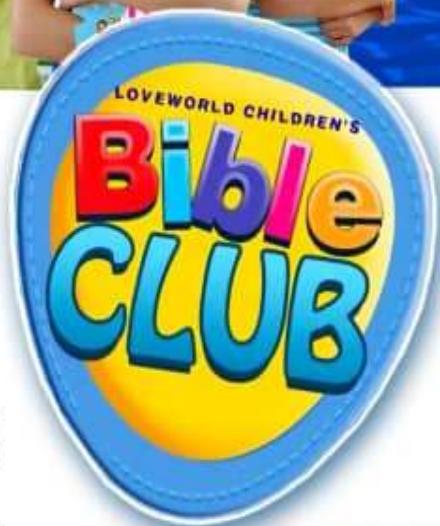
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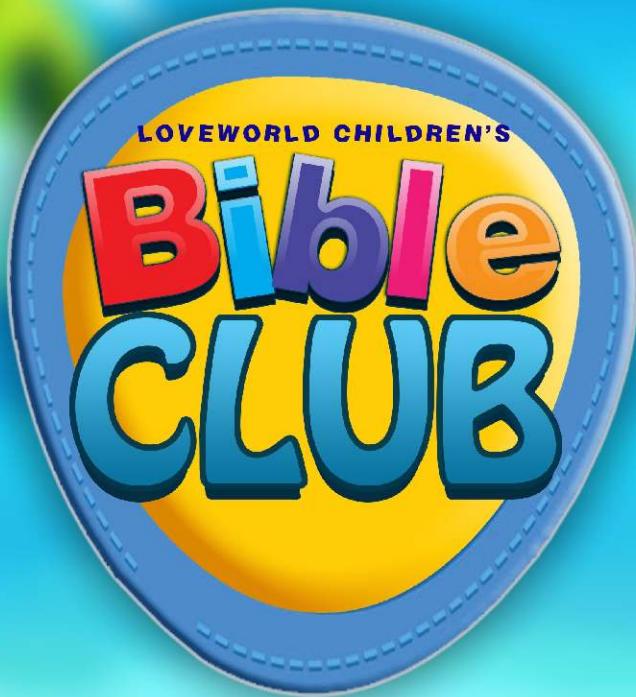


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