

## ELISHA AND THE CHARIOTS OF FIRE - WEEK 1

ACTIVITIES	RECOMMENDED TIME ALLOTMENT
Free Play / Restrooms	15 - 20 minutes
Welcome	3-5 minutes
Song Time	7 minutes
Bible Story	5-7 minutes
God's Animal**	10 minutes
Bible Verse (WK 1) **	7 minutes
Group Game**	10 minutes
Craft**	10 minutes
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67-76 minutes</b>

In the event of time constraint where activities need to be cut, the highlighted activities are of the highest importance.

\*\* These activities can be done as a large group, small group, or rotating centers.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Veggie Tales
- Eggward Learns Goodness
- *Miss Carol Songs/Stories*

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## ACTIVITY GUIDE

### WELCOME

- Gather the children to their groups (or rows) and welcome them.
- Go over class rules and/or the visual schedule (if applicable to your campus).
- Transition into song time.

### SONG TIME

- Play "I'm In the Lord's Army," while you encourage the kids to dance and sing along!

### BIBLE STORY

- Transition the children back to their groups or rows and let them know it is time for their Bible lesson.
- Play the "Elisha and the Chariots of Fire" Bible story.
- When the video is complete, talk with the kids about how good God was to send an army to protect Elisha, and how Elisha showed goodness to the bad guys by feeding them and sending them home!

### GOD'S ANIMAL - (SMALL GROUP/CENTER 1)

- Tell the children that it is time to learn about God's animal, the wolf, and how they show goodness!
- Play the video for the children.
- Tell the kids that they are going to play a game where they pretend to be wolves! They will pretend that they are a pack of wolves that are storing up food for the winter.
- The kids close their eyes for 10-15 seconds, while the teacher hides the play food around the room.
- Once the teacher has hidden the fruit, the kids have to work together (like wolves) to find the fruit. As they look for the fruit, remind the kids to show goodness to their friends by helping each other find the fruit, just like a wolf shows goodness to its family/pack.
- Play until it is time for the next activity.

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## ACTIVITY GUIDE CONTINUED

### BIBLE VERSE GAME- (SMALL GROUP/CENTER 2)

- Hold up the Bible verse page and go over what each picture means with the children. Have them repeat it after you a few times.
- Get out the Bible verse cards and the basket. Place the cards face down on the floor/table. Some of the cards will have Bible verse pictures on them, and some will have silly pictures.
- When you say so, have all the kids pick up a card and flip it over. If they get a silly picture, have them put the picture in the basket. If they get a Bible verse picture, have them put it down in the middle of the group. Help the kids put the pictures in the right order.
- For more fun, you could spread the pictures around on the floor and have the kids run around to collect them and get them in the right order or into the basket.
- If you have younger kids, you may want to have the kids flip over their card one at a time while you all decide together if that is a Bible verse picture or not.

### GROUP GAME ACTIVITY - (SMALL GROUP/CENTER 3)

- Tell the kids that they are going to play a game called "Follow the Leader!"
- Remind the kids that when the bad army couldn't see, Elisha lead them to Israel and then fed them and sent them home.
- Tell the kids that they are going to follow you and that they have to mimic everything you do!
- Lead the kids around the room and have them follow you in a straight line. Periodically, start hopping, zig-zagging, crawling, etc. Have them copy you as you move around!
- If you have limited room, you can play this game by sitting in a circle and having the kids copy your actions (e.g., patting your head, clapping your hands, patting the ground, etc.) You can also play it as one large group if desired!

### DAYS OF CREATION CRAFT - (SMALL GROUP/CENTER 4)

- Follow the instructions on the craft page.

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## CRAFT GUIDE

### CRAFT

Today we are learning how God was good to Elisha and the King of Israel by sending a heavenly army to protect them!

### SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Angel craft page
- Glue dots (5 per craft page)
- Glitter markers
- Red, orange, and yellow tissue squares

### STEPS

1. Hand out the craft pages to the children with five glue dots already placed on the chariot (to stick the tissue on).
2. Have the kids stick five crumpled tissue squares to their chariots on the glue dots (to represent fire).
3. Place the glitter markers in the center of the group to color the angel's wings with!
4. Write each child's name on the back of their craft page.

