

Keeping Promises



“He will guard the feet of his faithful servants”

1 Samuel 2:9

Topic: Crying out

Lesson Objective:

- That the children learn and understand the story of Hannah.

Memory Verse

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Lesson Outline:

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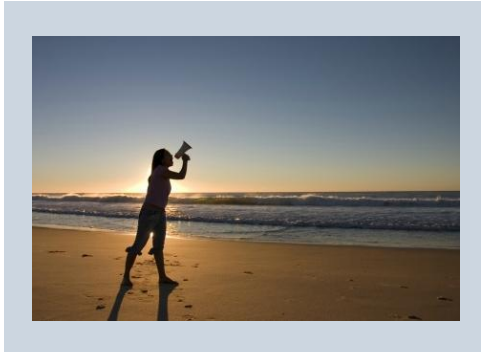
Welcome & Worship

Welcome all the kids. Ask them to tell you about their favourite toy.

The Facilitator will let you know when it is time for Kids Worship. Please have the children form a line and make their way to the Kids Worship room to join with the other children for Worship. Please encourage the children to join in and help the other children to engage. We would also ask that you participate as the children will watch you also.

Feel free to speak to the kids worship team or the Facilitator if you have any questions.

Please feel free to be **creative** with this lesson – you may like to think of a **different way** to tell the story (e.g. acting it out or using pictures), or you may know of an **activity** that will demonstrate the lesson clearly for the kids.



Recap on Last week:

Ask if any of the kids can remember what we learnt last week – we talked about Hannah.

“In my distress I called to the LORD; I called out to my God. From his temple he heard my voice; my cry came to his ears”

Story:

Read the story that is on page 3.

Activity:

MATERIALS:

- printer
- paper
- scissors
- glue
- something to colour with

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Print out the template.
2. Colour the pieces (as appropriate) and cut them out -- make sure you don't cut the two halves of the suitcase apart!.
3. Fold the suitcase in half down the middle to make a type of folder
4. Glue the labels onto the front of the suitcase to decorate
5. Draw a word or picture representing a promise (or promises) God has made.



From <http://www.dltk-bible.com/crafts/mpromisesuitcase.htm>

Lesson Review

- The memory verse for this week is:

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Find a creative way to help the kids to learn this verse.

- Noticeboard focus: Ask the children to tell you what they learnt about today then add the memory verse poster to the noticeboard (the card can be found in the folder in the leaders' resource spot).
- Give each child a memory verse card and tell them that if they can remember this verse next week they will get a sweet. (Memory verse cards are in the Leaders Resources spot) Please remember to do this as they are an important part of us connecting with the children's families.

Wrap up:

- Have a leader or helper close in prayer.
- Make sure kids take their craft at the end of the lesson.
- Please ensure that they are signed out by a parent or guardian before they leave the room.
- Once all the children have left please assist us by making sure the room is tidy and ready for the next group. Please also make sure that the blue sign-in folder is returned to the kids table.

Keeping Promises....

Who remembers what we talked about last week?

We talked about Hannah - a woman who was very loved by God.

She prayed to God and told God that if he gave her a baby she would make sure that the baby served God for all his life.

God heard her prayer and gave her a baby. She named him Samuel!

Hannah had waited so long for this child and she loved him so much, but she remembered that she had made a promise to God. Hannah was an honest woman and when she made a promise she meant it!

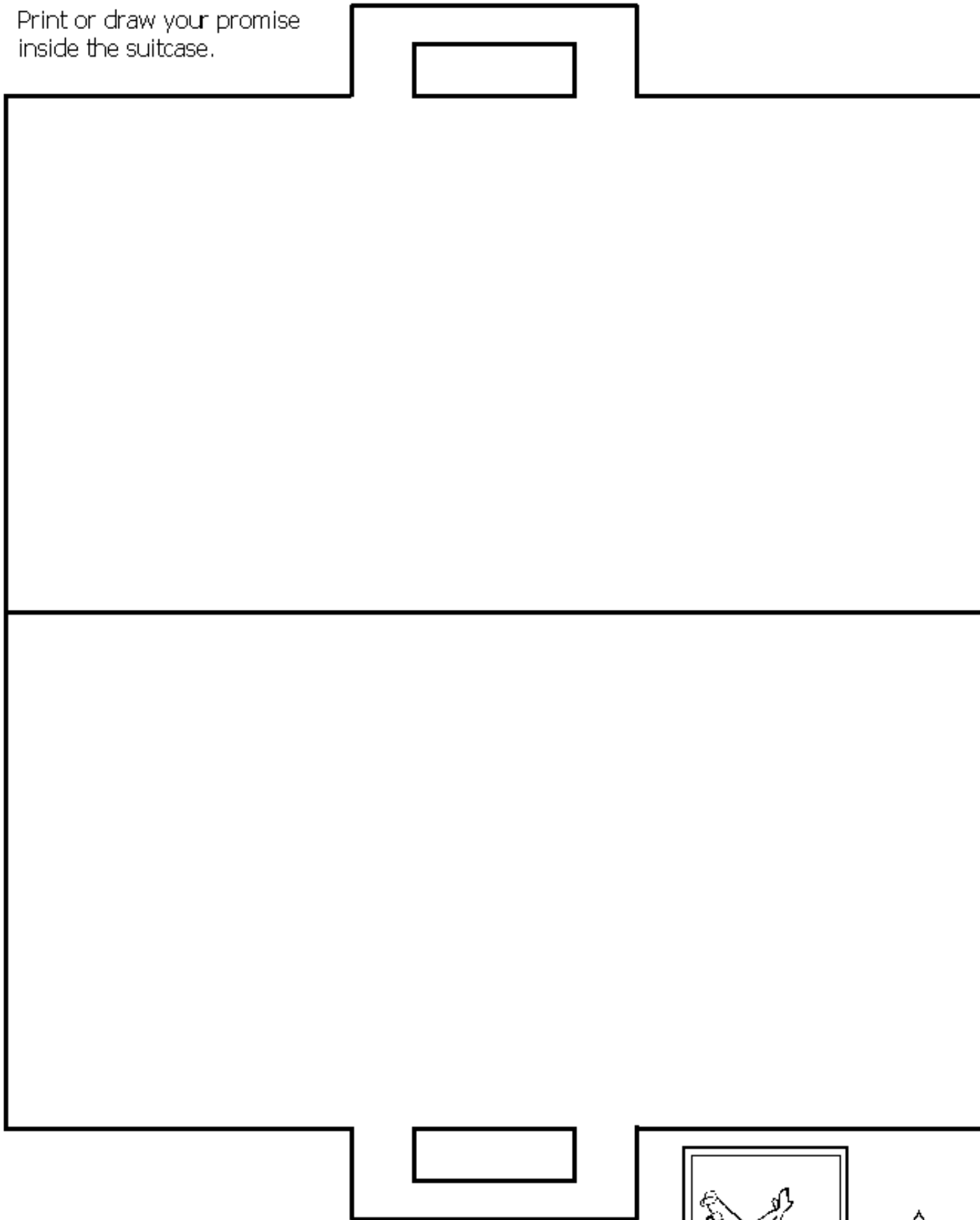
Again, Hannah had a good attitude and wanted to give Samuel back to God – she wasn't annoyed or upset and she didn't want to change her mind. She wanted to keep her promise to God, and she did.

When Samuel was old enough, she went back to the place where she had prayed and said to Eli the priest, "Do you remember me? I am the woman that cried and prayed for this child and The Lord answered my prayer. Now I will give him to the Lord and I will leave him with you to learn and work with you."

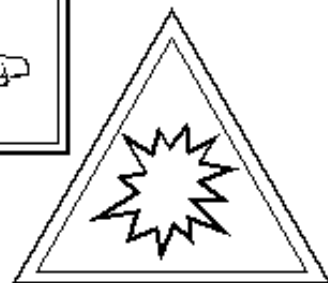
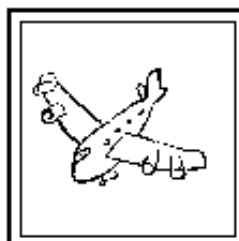
So Samuel lived with Eli and every year Hannah would pack her suitcase and visit him and bring him new clothes.

It might have been very hard for Hannah to see her son only once a year, but she wanted to keep her promise. God saw Hannah keep her word and honour Him, so he blessed Hannah again and gave her even more sons and daughters!

Print or draw your promise
inside the suitcase.



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Leading Prayer in Kids Bizz

Come Together:

Bring the children together in a circle. Ask if there is anything that they would like to pray for.

Some Questions you may ask to help them think:

- Is there something that you would like to praise God and thank him for this week?
- Are you sick or do you need healing?
- Have you hurt anyone or been hurt by something this week that you need to ask forgiveness for?

Pray:

Pray together— there are two choices here:

They can pray for each other or they can pray for themselves (out loud).

Praying for Each other:

If they would like someone else to pray for them ask the child to sit in the middle and for another child to pray for them (ask for volunteers). If both children are comfortable they can lay hands on as they pray.

Praying for themselves:

If they would like to pray for themselves they can either sit in the middle or stay where they are. Ask them to pray in a loud voice so everyone can hear. We want them to be comfortable so be flexible and sensitive to the Childs needs.

Continue through the group until everyone has been prayed for.

Listen:

Then take time to sit and listen to God and see if there is anything that he would like to say to the group. Ask each child to sit silently and listen to God. Explain that God may speak to them all in different ways, e.g. a picture, an idea a colour etc. Then after a minute ask if there is anything the children felt God was saying.

Write:

If anyone has anything please write it in the *Kids Bizz Prayer Journal* with the date, service time and child's name. Then have a leader thank God for the lesson and any healings, words or pictures.