

LESSON FOR TODDLERS TO PRESCHOOLERS

Approach: Teaching Bible Truth Blended with Basic Learning
(Alphabet and Phonics; Numbers; Shapes and Colors)

Lesson: Recognition of the Letter **Qq**; How it Sounds and How to Write It.

Sub-topics:

Main Emphasis: Standing up for what is right for God

Bible Connect: **God protects His people**

Bible Story:

Outline of the Book of Esther

- Esther becomes queen - 1:1-2:18.
- Haman plots to kill the Jews - Esther 2:19 - 3:15.
- Esther and Mordecai take action - Esther 4:1 - 5:14.
- Mordecai is honored; Haman is executed - Esther 6:1 - 7:10.
- The Jewish people are rescued and delivered - Esther 8:1 - 9:19.
- The Feast of Lots is instituted - Esther 9:30-32.
- Mordecai and King Xerxes are revered - Esther 9:30-32.

Memory Verse: Isaiah 41:10

“Do not fear, for I am with you;”

Lesson Objectives

By the end of this session, the students must be able to:

1. Recognize the Letter **Qq**, shapes, and colors;
2. Explain that God hears our prayers.
3. Recite the memory verse with actions;
4. Participate in craft-making and work on the activities given.

Clearing of Difficulties

1. **Esther** - was the daughter of Mordecai's uncle
2. **King Ahasuerus** - husband of the beautiful Esther
3. **Mordecai** - was the son of Jair, of the tribe of Benjamin; older cousin of Esther.
4. **Haman** - Haman was a villainous court official who attempted to destroy the Jews living in the Kingdom of Persia.

Pre-Session Activity

Introduction:

Who would like to be a king or a queen? What do you think that they do? What would you do if you were a king or a queen?

Lesson Proper

Bible Story [link](#) here

Once upon a time, in the Kingdom of Persia, there lived a **king**. In Ahasuerus's kingdom, there lived a wise and caring man named **Mordecai** who was looking after his young cousin, **Esther**. Esther was a beautiful and caring girl, with a smile that would light up a room. She managed to catch the king's attention because of her beauty and gentle nature, and eventually she became the new queen.

Now, there was a wicked man in the palace called **Haman** who worked for the king. This angered Haman, so he hatched a plan to get rid of all the Jewish people in the kingdom, which included Mordecai and Esther. Haman tricked the king into signing a law that would harm the Jewish people. Queen Esther was scared, as she knew that going to the king without her being summoned was a dangerous thing to do. Despite this, Esther knew she must be **brave** for the sake of her people. She asked all the Jewish people to **pray** and **fast** for three days. And Esther did the same.

Queen Esther trusted God and bravely told the King all about Haman's plan to destroy her people. The king was absolutely furious at what he heard and had Haman punished for his wickedness. All the Jewish people celebrated because God had saved them.

Life Application

The story of Esther teaches us that standing up for what is right is always important, no matter what challenges we might face. It also reminds us that God is always there, guiding us through the most difficult of times.

Esther prayed. Her servants prayed. Mordecai prayed. The Jewish people prayed. Then Esther decided to go before the king. She was very brave and loved her people and God very much. She saved her people from Haman's evil plan.

Evaluation

1. "Who was in the story?" Esther, Mordecai, the king
2. "What did the king give to Esther?" A crown to make her the queen
3. "What brave thing did Esther do?" She went before the king without being called
4. "Why did she do that?" She wanted to save her people
5. What made Esther brave? (She trusted God; she did what she had to do, even though it was scary.)

Enrichment Activity