

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 **Ss**; How it Sounds and How to Write It.

Main Emphasis: God gives us strength to do good. God gives us special abilities and gifts. God hears us when we pray. God gives us great strength.

Bible Connect: **God's Strong Man, Samson**

Bible Story: Judges 13-16

Memory Verse: Ephesians 6:10

"Be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power."

Lesson Objectives

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

1. Recognize the Letter **Ss**
- 2.

Clearing of Difficulties

- Samson–
- Talents/Ability

Pre-Session Activity

Talk about how God gifted Samson with a special ability. Ask the child if they know what this special ability is. Discuss how God made Samson very, very strong. Talk about other ways that people can be gifted such as singing voices, intelligence, or steady hands.

Our Bible story today is about a man who had great strength, but that strength was not because of anything he did, it was a gift from God! You have probably heard of that man. His name was Samson.

Bible Story

An angel told Manoah and his wife that they would have a baby boy. He must never cut his hair to show that he was promised to God and would be strong and save his people from their enemies.

They called their son Samson. One day when he was older he was walking along, minding his own business, when a wild lion attacked him. He was so strong he picked it up and killed it.

His enemies wanted to know what made Samson strong, so that they could get rid of him. They sent a beautiful woman, called Delilah, to find out and Samson fell in love with her.

She kept pestering him to tell her what made him strong. Finally he told her that he had never cut his hair because he was promised to God when he was born.

While he slept, Delilah cut off Samson's hair and so his promise to God was broken. He had been tricked by a beautiful woman. Now his enemies could catch him easily.

They put him in prison to work like a slave. They hurt him and he went blind. He was very sorry he had broken his promise to God. Soon his hair began to grow.

Blind Samson prayed and asked God to give him strength one more time. He put his hands on the two stone pillars and the temple of idols fell down and all his people's enemies died too.

Life Application

Heavenly Father, every good gift comes from you. Our prayer is that we will always use your gifts to bring about good. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Evaluation

Enrichment Activity