

Unit 16 at a Glance

God's Awesome Victories

Unit Overview

In this unit, the children will see powerful examples of ordinary people doing extraordinary things for God. From one awesome victory to another, God leads and protects his people triumphantly. From Gideon to David, the children will be amazed at how much God loves to encourage and strengthen the smallest and the weakest among his people. And they will consider how God can lead them to great victories in their own lives, too!

Unit Goals

- The children will learn that God can do awesome things through his people.
- The children will understand that God takes care of his people.
- The children will believe that God can help them to do great things for him.

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Lesson 1 Gideon

Scripture Memory Verse Judges 6:14

The LORD turned to him and said, "Go in the strength you have and save Israel. Am I not sending you?"

Gideon follows God's call to lead Israel's army to a magnificent and surprising victory. Against the odds, God helped Gideon defeat the enemy in amazing ways! God also encouraged Gideon by answering his prayers. The children will be inspired to think about God's plan for their lives.

Lesson 2 Deborah

Scripture Memory Verse Isaiah 58:9

Then you will call, and the LORD will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I.

The children will be introduced to a Biblical dynamic duo—Deborah and Barak. God used Deborah to call Barak and then God led Barak to a victory for Israel. The children will see that God took care of his people as they think of how he takes care of them.

Lesson 3 Ezekiel

Scripture Memory Verse Ezekiel 37:14

"I will put my Spirit in you and you will live," declares the LORD.

In this story, the children will see how God used Ezekiel to give new life to even the most hopeless situation. The children will have an opportunity to consider the life-giving power of God's Spirit in this remarkable account.

Lesson 4 Elijah

Scripture Memory Verse 1 Kings 18:36

"O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, let it be known today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant."

Elijah redefines the concept of being outnumbered as he faces over 800 false prophets—alone! But he is not really alone. Together, Elijah and the Lord show a desperate mob the true God of Israel. The children will see God's terrific power as they consider how they can help reveal God to people today.

Lesson 5 Cornelius

Scripture Memory Verse Colossians 4:2
(NIRV)

Spend a lot of time in prayer. Always be watchful and thankful.

Many eyes—including Peter's—are opened to see God's plan to save all men. The children will see that God was actively involved in bringing Peter to Cornelius, and they will be inspired to think of people they can help bring to Jesus.

Lesson 6 David and Goliath

Scripture Memory Verse 1 Samuel 17:45

David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty."

This unit comes to a finish with this timeless victory. The children will think of how God protected David as they think about ways that God can help them overcome as well.





Dear Parent,

In this unit, the children will see powerful examples of ordinary people doing extraordinary things for God. From one awesome victory to another, God leads and protects his people triumphantly against the most formidable enemies. Not only will the children see how God can use people to do great things, but they will also see how God does great things to encourage his people! From Gideon to David, the children will be amazed at how much God loves to encourage and strengthen the smallest and the weakest among his people. And they will consider how God can lead them to great victories in their own lives, too!

On the reverse side of this page, you will find an outline and a description of the lessons that comprise this unit. Included with each lesson is a Scripture Memory Verse for you to review with your child at home.

Your active involvement outside the classroom is essential and will truly make the Kingdom Kids Curriculum a great success for your child. Here are some suggested ways you can reinforce these lessons at home:

- Plan an “Awesome Party” with your child. Invite other children and teachers and their families from your child’s Bible class to come as one of the characters from this unit about God’s awesome victories. Play “20 Questions” until all the Biblical identities are revealed. Play charades based on these Bible events. Think of other ways to review and relive these amazing stories.
- Have a family devotional about the word “awesome” in the Bible. (It appears thirty-four times in the NIV.) Help your child to see that this word was used to only describe God’s power and perfection.
- As a family, go on an “Awesome” diet. For one week, use the word “awesome” only when talking about God. If someone uses it to describe anything else (i.e., a movie, ice cream, sports event) then they need to tell one thing about God that is awesome, too. At the end of the week, talk about how this has made everyone think more about the awesomeness of God.

We look forward to being partners with you as together we help plant Seeds of Faith in the heart and mind of your child.

Thank you,

Your child’s teachers

