



God's Messenger

Jonah and the big fish, from Jonah 1-4; Hebrews 1:1-2

This Week's truth

Salvation comes from God!

Read & Remember

Find a comfortable place together and read aloud "God's Messenger" pgs. 160-169.

- ❖ ❖ Where did God tell Jonah to go? *To Nineveh*
- ❖ What did God ask Jonah tell the people in Nineveh? *God loves them and would forgive them*
- ❖ What did Jonah do instead of going to Nineveh? *Got on a boat going away from Nineveh*
- ❖ What happened while Jonah was on the boat? *A storm came and the sailors threw Jonah overboard*
- ❖ What swallowed Jonah? *A big fish*
- ❖ Who sent the big fish to swallow Jonah? *God*
- ❖ What did Jonah do inside the whale? *He asked God to forgive him*
- ❖ What happened when Jonah went to Nineveh? *The people listened to Jonah and started loving God*
- ❖ Who is the coming Messenger with the same wonderful message God gave to Jonah? *Jesus*

Jesus in the Story

One day God would send another Messenger, his own son with the same wonderful message. Like Jonah, Jesus would spend three days in darkness. Unlike Jonah, Jesus loves people and wants to forgive them.."

Pray Together

God only you can forgive us and save us! Thank you, God, that even though we sin and run away from you, you love us with a "never stopping" love. Help us to love and forgive others like you do!

Worship

We are continuing to learn "What child is this?". I encourage you to practice singing this wonderfully rich song with your child. Learn it together! You can find the lyrics on our Spotify play list at www.firstirving.org/familyresources

Memory Verse

The bible verse we are memorizing is from Jonah's prayer while he was in the belly of the big fish: "Salvation comes from the Lord." Jonah 2:9