

Lesson 90: Abigail Makes Peace

[1 Samuel 25:1-35](#)

Youtube Link: <https://youtu.be/eSiMGOjIWD8>

Children's Bible Story Video: <https://youtu.be/fPcuv2tZrPc>

Worship Theme: God brings peace.

Memory Verse: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God" (Matthew 5:9)

Songs (Youtube links):

1. King of king <https://youtu.be/CPBqHYVwm3M>
2. I Want to Grow <https://youtu.be/fxp8B9SaXEU>
3. The Lord will protect you <https://youtu.be/22Pta-n7GWM>

Pray

Song: Select songs from the list above.

Icebreaker: "The Corner"

1. Teacher will put numbers in the four corners (1 - 4).
2. Then the teacher will select 1 child and blindfold the child.
3. Ask the rest of the children to run to any corner that they think is most peaceful.
4. Then the blindfolded child will select any one of the four corners. The children at the corner that is selected will lose the game, and they will sit on the side.
5. Play this game three times with the same blindfolded child, and the children who remain till the end will win the game.
6. After the game, explain to the children they may think one corner is more peaceful than the others. But in reality, true peace can only come from God.

Introduction:

How do you feel when you fight with your friends or with your brother or sister? Or how do you feel when someone says mean things to you? One of the names of Jesus is Prince of Peace. God wants us to have peace instead of having fights or arguments. Do you think you can keep peace even when someone is mean to you? Today, we will learn about a man who almost got into a big fight because he was angry.

Bible Story:

David was living in many areas in the countryside because he was trying to avoid King Saul who still wanted to kill him out of jealousy. One day, David and his soldiers were near the home of a man named Nabal. In David's time, it would have been normal to take some of Nabal's livestock for food without asking Nabal. But David was a good man, so he instructed his men not to take anything that didn't belong to them. In fact, David and his men even protected Nabal's livestock from other thieves.

After some days, David asked Nabal if he could provide some food for David and his men since they've been protecting Nabal's animals. But Nabal was very rude to David and refused to share food with him. This really made David angry. He was so angry that he was going to attack Nabal and fight him.

But Nabal had a very wise wife named Abigail. She brought lots of food for David and his soldiers and asked him not to attack Nabal's house because God would not be happy. This stopped David from fighting with Nabal.

Abigail was a peacemaker. She stopped David from getting into a fight and kept David at peace with Nabal. When Nabal found out that Abigail had provided food for David and his men, he was very angry! He was so angry that his heart stopped working and he died.

When we have angry hearts, it is not only unhealthy for our body but also for our soul. David was very happy that Abigail stopped him from having an angry heart and kept him at peace. Later on, because he was grateful for Abigail's wisdom and godly heart, he married her after her husband died.

God wants us to be at peace. God wants us to help others to keep their peace. Are you willing to turn your angry heart into a peaceful heart?

Questions to discuss:

1. Why were David and his men living in the countryside? (Because King Saul was still trying to kill David out of jealousy)
2. Whose house did David and his men protect from some thieves? (Nabal)
3. What was Nabal's answer when David asked for some food for his men? (No!)
4. What was David going to do? (Fight Nabal)
5. Who stopped David from fighting with Nabal? (Abigail, Nabal's wife)
6. What can you do to keep peace when people want to fight with you? (be kind, try to be more understanding, etc.)

Game: "Pass the Ball"

Materials needed: Small balls, basket, chair, spoon

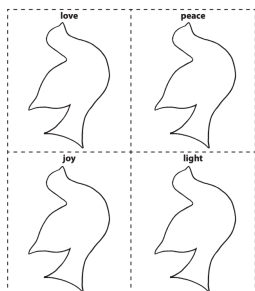


1. Divide the children into two groups and have them stand in two lines. Give a spoon to each child.
2. Place two chairs with 5-10 balls on them.
3. The first child will put the spoon in their mouth and put the ball on the chair on their spoon without using their hand. Then they will pass the ball to the next child without using their hands. Continue to pass the ball to the last person who will put the ball in the basket.
4. If they drop the ball, they have to start again. The game will have a time limit of 5 minutes. The group with more ball in the basket will win the game.
5. After the game, explain to the children that passing the ball to another child was not easy. Maybe some of you got angry like King David. But because we decided

to work together in peace without fighting, we were able to finish this game with success.

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Craft: Peaceful Dove



Materials Needed: Print a sheet with 4 doves, crayons

1. Color each dove based on the word "love" "peace" "joy" and "light."
2. Remind the children that God gives us love, peace, joy, and light. As children of God, we must also give these back to the people in our lives.

Song: Select songs from the list above

Pray

Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.)

As much as most of us dislike conflict, it's inevitable. But with Jesus at our side, we can handle it in a way that honors him: peaceably! Reread 1 Samuel 25:10- 13. You've probably never gone after someone with a sword, but when have you responded in anger after someone insulted you? How could you have handled that conflict better? If we trust that God is in control, we can respond in gentleness when we're wronged.

Peaceful Dove

Color each dove based on their description of love, peace, joy, and light.

love



peace



joy



light

