LESSON 41

- 1. Why has God always spoken to people?
- -That they would be saved.
- 2. Why did God want Jonah to go to the city of Nineveh?
- -Because God loved the people of Nineveh.
- -Because God wanted to save the people of Nineveh from the power of sin, death, and Satan.
- 3. Why did Jonah run away?
- -Jonah ran away because he did not want to go to the city of Nineveh.
- 4. Why did Jonah not want to go to the city of Nineveh?
- -Because the people of Nineveh were very wicked.
- -Because the people of Nineveh were enemies of the Israelites.
- -Because Jonah did not want God to save the people of Nineveh.
- 5. Was Jonah able to run away from God?
- -No.
- 6. Was Jonah able to hide from God?
- -No.
- 7. Was Jonah able to escape from God?
- -No.

- 8. What did God do when Jonah disobeyed God and did not go to Nineveh?
- -God sent a big fish to swallow Jonah.
- 9. How long was Jonah in the stomach of the big fish? -For three days and three nights.
- 10. Was Jonah able to save himself in the stomach of the big fish?-No.
- 11. Who was the only One who was able to save Jonah? -God.
- 12. How are all people like Jonah?
- -Just like Jonah was not able to save himself from the stomach of the big fish, all people are not able to save themselves from the power of sin, death, and Satan.
- -Just like only God was able to save Jonah, only God is able to save all people.
- 13. What did God do when Jonah admitted that he had disobeyed and sinned against God?
- -God made the big fish vomit Jonah onto dry land.
- 14. After God saved Jonah, did God tell Jonah that he did not have to go to Nineveh?
- -No.
- -God does not change.

- -God never changes.
- -God still wanted Jonah to go to Nineveh.
- 15. Did the people of Nineveh listen to the message of God that Jonah told them?
- -Yes.
- 16. What were the men called that God chose to be His messengers, and to tell the people His message?
 -Prophets.
- 17. What did the prophets tell the people?
- -To leave the path of sin, and follow the path of God.
- 18. What would happen to the ten tribes of Israel if they did not leave the path of sin, and follow the path of God?
 -God would send the Assyrians to defeat the ten tribes of Israel, and to make them their slaves.
- 19. What would happen to the two tribes of Judah if they did not leave the path of sin, and follow the path of God?
 -God would send the Babylonians to defeat the two tribes of Judah, and to make them their slaves.
- -Even though many years had passed since God promised to send the Savior, did God forget His promise?
 -No.
- -God promised Adam and Eve that He would send the

Savior.

- -God promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that He would send the Savior.
- -God promised Moses and the Israelites that He would send the Savior.
- -God promised King David and King Solomon that He would send the Savior.
- -God did not forget His promise to send the Savior.
- -Even though the Israelites did not believe in God, did God decide not to send the Savior?
- -No.
- -Even though the Israelites did not believe in God, why did God still want to send the Savior?
- -Because God loves all people.
- -Because God wants to save all people from the power of sin, death, and Satan.
- -Because God does not want anyone to go to the Lake of Eternal Fire.
- -To whom did God give His message about the coming

Savior?

- -To the prophets.
- -Where are these messages written about the coming Savior that God gave the prophets?
- -In God's Book, the Bible.
- -Before God sent the Savior, God planned everything that would happen to the Savior.
- -What did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 9:7a

7-Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over His kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.

- -God said that the Savior would be a descendant of David and be king forever.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 7:14

- 14-The virgin will be with Child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.
- -God said that the Savior would have no human father nor human mother, but be born of a virgin.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Micah 5:2

- 2-"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."
- -God said that the Savior would be born in the town of Bethlehem.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Hosea 11:1

- 1-"When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son."
- -God said that He would call the Savior out of Egypt.

-What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 11:2

- 2-The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him--the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD--
- -God said that the Savior would be led by God the Holy Spirit.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 53:4-5

- 4-Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted.
- 5-But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds we are healed.
- -God said that the Savior would suffer for all people.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 41:9

- 9-Even my close friend, whom I trusted, he who shared my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.
- -God said that the Savior would be betrayed by a friend.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Zechariah 11:12-13

- 12-I told them, "If you think it best, give me my pay; but if not, keep it." So they paid me thirty pieces of silver.
- 13-And the LORD said to me, "Throw it to the potter"-the handsome price at which they priced me!" So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD to the potter.
- -God said that the Savior would be sold for thirty pieces of silver.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 27:2

2-When evil men advance against me to devour my flesh, when my enemies and my foes attack me, they will

stumble and fall.

- -God said that the Savior would be falsely accused.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 50:6

6-I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting.

- -God said that the Savior would be beaten and spit upon.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 53:7

7-He was oppressed and afflicted, yet He did not open His mouth; He was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so He did not open His mouth.

- -God said that the Savior would not say anything when he was accused.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was

sending?

Let's read Isaiah 53:3

3-He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

- -God said that the people would reject the Savior.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 69:4

- 4-Those who hate me without reason outnumber the hairs of my head; many are my enemies without cause, those who seek to destroy me.
- -God said that the Savior would be hated for no reason.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 22:16

16-Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet.

- -God said that the hands and feet of the Savior would be pierced.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 22:18

- 18-They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.
- -God said that the people would throw dice for the Savior's clothing.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 22:6-7

- 6-But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by men and despised by the people.
- 7-All who see me mock me; they hurtle insults, shaking their heads:
- -God said that the Savior would be mocked and insulted.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 53:12

- 12-Therefore I will give Him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because He poured out His life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.
- -God said that the Savior would die with evil men.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Isaiah 53:9

- 9-He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death, though He had done no violence, nor was any deceit in His mouth.
- -God said that the Savior would be buried with the rich.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 16:10

10-Because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay.

- -God said that the Savior would rise from the dead.
- -What else did God say about the Savior whom He was sending?

Let's read Psalm 68:18

18-When you ascend on high, you led captives in your train.

- -God said that the Savior would return to heaven.
- -Before God sent the Savior, God planned everything that would happen to the Savior.
- -The prophets of God told the Israelites about the Savior whom God was sending.
- -The prophets of God also told the Israelites to leave the path of sin and follow the path of God.
- -Did most of the Israelites listen to the prophets of God? -No.
- -What did the Israelites do to God's prophets?
- -They killed them.
- -Why did the Israelites kill the prophets of God?

- -Because the prophets of God told the Israelites to leave the path of sin and follow the path of God.
- -Because the prophets of God told the Israelites that God would punish their sin by death.
- -Because the Israelites loved their sin, and did not want to obey God.
- -Instead of listening to the prophets of God, to whom did the Israelites listen?
- -False prophets.
- -The false prophets said that they were prophets of God, but they were prophets of Satan.
- -The false prophets were saying that God would not punish their sin.
- -The false prophets said that they were telling the truths of God, but what were they telling?
- -The lies of Satan.
- -Who was speaking through the false prophets?
- -Satan.
- -Today, does Satan still continue to speak his lies through

people?

- -Yes.
- -Satan says through people not to follow God.
- -Satan says through people to follow the ways of the ancestors.
- -Satan says through people not to listen to God's Word.
- -Satan says through people that God's Word is not true.
- -Satan says through people that God will not punish sin.
- -Although the Israelites worshipped the images that they made, did they also continue to worship God in the temple? -Yes.
- -Did God accept the worship of the Israelites who worshipped the images they made, and also worshipped God in the temple?
- -No.
- -Why did God not accept the worship of the Israelites who worshipped the images they made, and also worshipped God in the temple?
- -Because God knew that they were only worshipping Him

with their lips.

- -Because God knew that they were worshipping the images in their hearts.
- -Who knows all about our hearts?
- -God.
- -God can see into all of our hearts.
- -God knows whether we are worshipping Him with our lips or with our hearts.
- -What does God say about all of our hearts?
- -God says that all of our hearts are full of sin.
- -Even though most of the Israelites were worshipping images, were there any Israelites who were worshipping only God?
- -Yes.
- -There were a few.
- -For whom were the Israelites who worshipped only God waiting?
- -They were waiting for God to send the Savior.