

CHURCH EDUCATION

The Holy Bible The Book of Mormon



'...and they shall become one in thine hand.' Ezekiel 37.17

LESSON TITLE

Brother of Jared Meets Jesus Christ

UNIT 6 - Evidence of Authority and Establishing the Church

GRADES Preschool – Kindergarten

THE HOLY BIBLE (KJV)

Hebrew 11:6, "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

THE BOOK OF MORMON

Ether 3:9, "And the Lord said unto him: Because of thy faith thou hast seen that I shall take upon me flesh and blood; and never has man come before me with such exceeding faith as thou hast; for were it not so ye could not have seen my finger, Sawest thou more than this?"

OBJECTIVES

The student will be able to:

- Discover how the brother of Jared met Jesus Christ, Ether chapters 1-3
- Explore why we pray.

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS

- Who did Jared's brother ask for help? Did Jesus listen?
- What did Jared's brother do to show he was listening to Jesus?
- What did Jesus reveal to Jared's brother when he prayed about light?
- What do we know about light and Jesus?

MATERIALS

Holy Bible (KJV) and The Book of Mormon

16 small stones

Task 1: <u>Brother of Jared Meets Jesus Christ</u> 1 copy per student. Task 2: <u>Jaredites</u> (Connect the Dots, page 4) 1 copy per student.

Song: "This Little Light of Mine"

Pencils and crayons Snacks for children

TEACHER NOTES

30-minute lesson

To prepare for this lesson, study the scriptural references listed in OBJECTIVES.

Q: Teacher asks questions

Note: The Church of Jesus Christ uses the Authorized King James Version of The Holy Bible and The Book of Mormon published by The Church

PROCEDURE

Motivation/Introduction (2-3 minutes)

Q: Who likes surprises? Why do you like surprises?

Q: Can you think of a time when you were surprised?

Goals: Discover how the brother of Jared met Jesus Christ. Explore why we pray.

Lesson Development (25 -27 minutes)

- 1. Share a retelling of "The Brother of Jared Meets Jesus Christ" (See Story Map).
- 2. Task 1: Students complete, link page 1
 - Box 1: Students draw a cloud.
 - Box 2: Students imagine and draw how Jesus looked when he showed himself to the brother of Jared.
- **3.** Task 2: Students complete Connect the Dots page, link page 1.
- 4. Discuss Essential Questions (Page 1).
- 5. Song: Students sing "This Little Light of Mine," link page 1
- **6.** Engage Students in a discussion on why we pray.
 - **Q:** Can you remember something that you prayed about? How did Jesus answer your prayer?
 - Q: Why does Jesus want us to pray?
 - Q: Why do we pray?
 - **Q.** Does Jesus answer prayers?
- 7. Snack: Serve snack

Key Words: evidence, authority, establish church, Babel, Jared, Jaredites

Story Map: The Brother of Jared Meets Jesus Christ

A long time ago, in the land of Babel, lived a man who loved Jesus. We don't know his name, but we know his brother is Jared. We call him Jared's brother. Jared's brother lived in Babel during a time when people tried to build a tower to reach heaven, which displeased the Lord very much. The Lord stopped people from building the tower by giving everyone a different language, and by separating them to different parts of the earth.

Jared's brother prayed to Jesus for a favor. He wanted Jesus to allow his family and friends to keep their language, and to send them to a good place. Jesus said He would lead them to the best place on earth. They would go to a faraway land.

Jared's brother trusted Jesus to take them to the best place on earth. Jared, his brother, their families, and friends packed their food, clothes, and everything they needed for their journey. Jesus came down in a big cloud and talked to Jared's brother! Jared's brother could not see Jesus, he could only hear Him. Jesus told Jared's brother to build barges (large boats) so they could travel to the best place on earth.

Jared's brother noticed the barges were dark inside. There were no windows. He wondered how they might have light to see. He did not want to travel in darkness. Jared's brother knew that Jesus could help, so he prayed. Jesus told Jared's brother to think of how they might have light. Jesus said they could not have fire or windows for light. Jared's brother brought 16 stones to Jesus, and asked Him to touch them with His finger and make them shine.

Jesus touched each stone with His finger, and as He did they lit up. Jared's brother saw Jesus's finger touch the stones! Jared's brother was surprised to see that Jesus's finger looked like the finger of a man, a finger of flesh. Jared's brother was surprised to see that Jesus had flesh like a man. He had never seen Jesus before. Jared's brother asked Jesus to show all of himself, and Jesus did. Jared's brother saw that Jesus looked like a man, just like himself!

(Place 16 stones within children's reach. Have children take turns counting stones as they touch each one with their finger.)