No one is like God.

2 SAMUEL 7:22

Pretend to Ride in a **BOAT**

Help your toddler sit in a laundry basket or plastic tub. Gently rock the container back and forth. Show your child the Bible story picture (reverse side). Point to Jonah. Tell the Bible story. Remind your child that God knew all about Jonah, and God knows all about your child. Sing to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat": God, can, do anything. God can do anything. God, can, do anything.

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Play "What's Missing"

Tell the Bible story (reverse side). Place a few small items

on the floor. Ask your child

to name each one. Tell your child to close his eyes. Remove one of the items and place it behind your back. Encourage your child to open his eyes and guess which item is missing. Repeat as interest

> while you guess. Say: "Sometimes you knew which item was missing; sometimes you did not know. God knows

> > everything."

holds. Let your child hide an item

BABIES

Play with Toy BOATS and FISH

Invite your child to play with toy boats and toy fish. Use plastic bowls or cups for boats if needed. Tell your child the Bible story (reverse side). Mention that God wants us to obey Him. Enjoy playing with your baby and the toys.





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THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

The Bible story teaches that God knows everything. When God sent Jonah to Nineveh, Jonah ran away from God. God knew where Jonah was and what he did.



LIVE IT OUT

Look for pictures of large ocean fish. Review the Bible story. Help your child guess which fish are big enough for a person to fit inside the belly. Tell that God knew everything about Jonah, even when he was inside the fish. Say that God knows everything about your child, too.



LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God knows everything about me.



DAILY BIBLE READING

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God Sent Jonah

BASED ON JONAH 1-3

WEEKLY VERSE: God, You know all

about me. Psalm 139:3

LIFE POINT: God knows everything.



Jonah got on a boat to run away from God.

God sent a big fish. Jonah ended up in the belly of the big fish.

God let Jonah know he was to obey Him.

The big fish spit Jonah onto the land.

Jonah went to Nineveh and told the people to obey God.



Jonah did not do what God told him to do.

He got on a boat. A storm came.

Jonah went into the water, and a big fish swallowed him.

Jonah asked God for help.

God made the big fish spit Jonah onto dry land.

Jonah went and told the people to obey God.



One day God told Jonah to go talk to the people in the town of Nineveh.

Jonah did not want to go. He got on a boat that would take him far away.

A storm came. The men on the boat threw Jonah into the water.

A big fish swallowed Jonah.

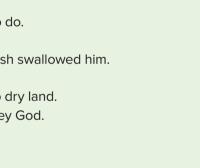
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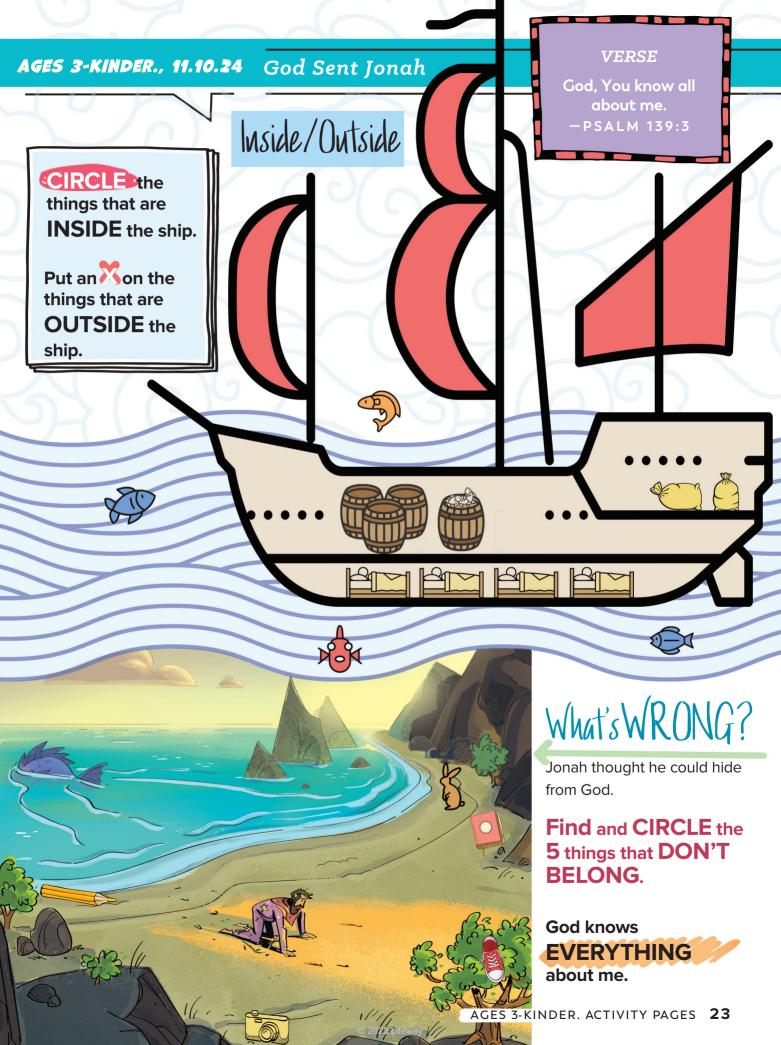
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Jonah got up and went to Nineveh.

He told the people what God had said.

The king heard Jonah and told the people to start obeying God.





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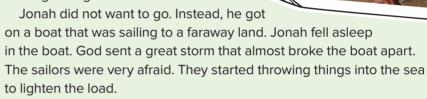
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God spoke to Jonah. "Go to the city of Nineveh. Tell the people that I am unhappy because they have been making wrong choices."



The men woke Jonah. Jonah told the men that he was running away from God and not obeying Him. Jonah told them to throw him into the sea and they would be safe. The men did not want to throw Jonah over, but the storm was getting rougher and rougher. Finally, they threw Jonah out of the boat and into the water, then the sea became calm.

God sent a big fish to swallow Jonah. While he was in the fish, Jonah prayed to God for help. After three days and nights, the fish spit Jonah onto dry land.

Jonah obeyed God and went to Nineveh. He told the people about God and the wrong things they were doing. The people listened to Jonah and obeyed God.

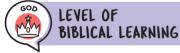
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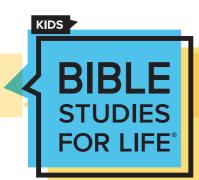
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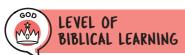
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THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Today your child heard a Bible story about how God has the power to know all things. God sent Jonah to Nineveh, but Jonah disobeyed God and ran away. God knew where Jonah was and what he did. God helped Jonah obey.

LIVE IT OUT

Help your child memorize Psalm 147:5. Talk about the Bible story, explaining that God knew everything Jonah did and where he went. God knows and loves us, just like He loved Jonah and the people of Nineveh.



God is all-knowing.



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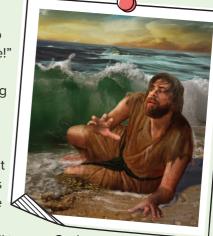
Jonah

JONAH 1-4

"Get up!" God commanded Jonah. "Go to the city of Nineveh and preach there!"

Jonah got up, but he did not go to Nineveh. Instead, he found a ship going to Tarshish and sailed away, hoping to escape God's presence.

Jonah did not escape God's presence. God sent a violent storm that nearly broke apart the ship. The sailors were afraid and called out to their false gods. Meanwhile, Jonah was asleep!



The captain woke Jonah and said, "Call to your God. Maybe He will save us."

The sailors knew that Jonah was not doing what God wanted him to do. They asked Jonah, "What can we do to calm the sea?" Jonah told them that he worshiped the God who created the seas and dry land. Jonah told the sailors to throw him overboard. The storm continued until finally, the men threw Jonah into the sea. The storm stopped, and the sailors worshiped Jonah's God.

God protected Jonah and sent a huge fish to swallow him. Jonah stayed inside the fish for three days and nights. Jonah prayed and praised God. He thanked God for saving him. He promised to obey God's commands. Then the fish spit Jonah out on dry land.

"Get up!" God commanded Jonah. "Go to the city of Nineveh and preach there!" This time Jonah obeyed. He announced that Nineveh would be destroyed because the people had been wicked. The people listened and believed in God. God saw that the Ninevites had turned away from their evil ways, and He did not destroy the city.

Jonah should have been happy, but he was furious. He was angry that God had saved the people of Nineveh.

God asked him, "Is it right for you to be angry? I care about the people of Nineveh. I want them to learn right from wrong and follow My commands. You preached, and they listened. My word helps people know how to live."

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: Psalm 147:5

LIFE POINT: God has power to know all things.

