

# God Responds



## Conquering the Land Judges in the Land

### Notes to the Teacher

1. This book has been prepared for primary students. The book is perforated so you can tear out each sheet, complete it in class, and send it home with the student. Each page includes directions for completing the activities on that page.
2. The parent letter is on page 3. Send this page home with the student on the first Sunday of the quarter or deliver it personally before the quarter begins. Page 4 contains an overview of this quarter's lessons, along with a list of all the memory verses.
3. If a student is absent, make sure he or she receives the handwork sheet and the Strong Kids at Home take-home paper. This will help the student review the Bible lesson.

### Using the Handwork Sheets

The first page of each lesson contains a Lesson Review section. This is an opportunity to review the previous week's lesson. As students arrive to class, let them work on the activity about five minutes into class time. Make sure the students' names are on their papers before you collect them.

You will use the handwork sheets again at the end of the lesson. The students will work on the activities on the back of the sheets. As they work, discuss the Bible story or its application. Let students do as much as time permits, but if they cannot complete the page in class, allow them to take it home and finish it.

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## Summer Quarter 2023



### **T**hank you for bringing your child to Sunday School!

An exciting quarter of studies await your child in the summer quarter for primaries! Your child will learn about some incredible accounts from the books of Joshua and Judges. It will be quite the action-packed adventure—city walls crumbling to the ground, the sun standing still in the sky, a small army defeating a huge army without using any weapons, and more!

Unit 1 will pick up with the Israelites' journey into the Promised Land. Moses has died and Joshua is in command. The lessons follow the Israelites as God helps them conquer the enemies within the Promised Land. The Israelites suffer losses and celebrate victories in various battles. In every circumstance, God is faithful to His promise to be with His People when they follow Him, as well as His promise to judge their sin when they disobey.

The second unit will introduce your child to the judges, people God used to encourage the Israelites' faith and to rescue them from captivity. Even though the Israelites repeatedly found themselves in trouble because of their sin, God kept His promise and sent a deliverer every time they returned to Him. Your child will be encouraged to have faith in the powerful God Who deserves our trust and obedience.

Review your child's worksheet together and set aside time each week to help your child memorize the Bible memory verse, listed on the back of this sheet. Your child will need to recite the current week's verse the following week in Sunday School.

Help your child go through the Strong Kids at Home take-home paper every week. Each paper is full of stories and fun activities that reinforce the lesson. Use the Parent Connect section in each paper to support the spiritual growth themes at home.

Thank you for the opportunity to teach your child Biblical truths. We are praying for his or her spiritual growth.

Sincerely,

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Teacher



## Quarter Overview

### Conquering the Land Weeks 1—6

In unit 1, students will continue their study of the Israelites' journey into the Promised Land. With Joshua as their leader, the Israelites learn to have faith in God as He helps them conquer the land. Though the Israelites often disobey God, they are encouraged to trust God and follow Him because He is both powerful and just. Students will be encouraged as they learn that God will use them, and that He will help them do His will.

### Judges in the Land Weeks 7—13

Unit 2 introduces students to the Old Testament judges. Though the Israelites sinned against God, God was still faithful to His promises—both to be with His People and to judge their sin. God used individuals to judge the Israelites, deliver them from their enemies, and to encourage God's People to obey Him. Students will learn that God gave the judges what they needed to be able to do His will. The lessons will emphasize serving God and having faith in Him.



#### Lesson 1

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9).

#### Lesson 2

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you" (Psalm 32:8).

#### Lesson 3

"The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped" (Psalm 28:7).

#### Lesson 4

"Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy" (Proverbs 28:13).

#### Lesson 5

"If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him" (James 1:5).

#### Lesson 6

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works" (Ephesians 2:10).

#### Lesson 7

"God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it?" (Numbers 23:19).

#### Lesson 8

"Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works" (Hebrews 10:24).

#### Lesson 9

"He will bless those who fear the LORD, both the small and the great" (Psalm 115:13).

#### Lesson 10

"God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him" (Psalm 18:30).

#### Lesson 11

"Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth" (1 John 3:18).

#### Lesson 12

"I can do all things through [Christ] who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13).

#### Lesson 13

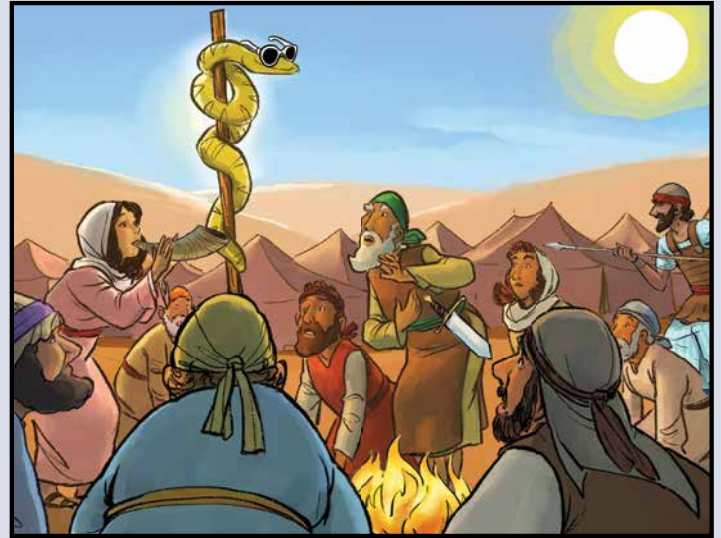
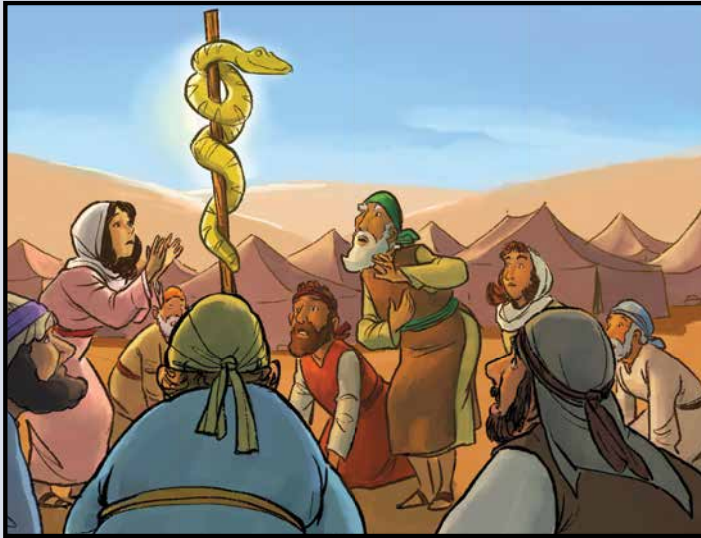
"This is love, that we walk according to his commandments" (2 John 6).

# Salvation from Fiery Serpents

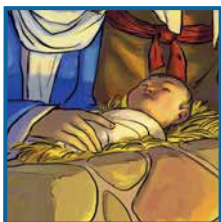
God wants us to put our faith in Christ for salvation.

**Directions:** Look at the two pictures. The left picture is right. Circle the six wrong things in the picture on the right.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_



**Directions:** Read each sentence. • Draw a line to match each sentence to the picture that best illustrates it. • Use a different color for each line you draw.



- **God sent His Son, Jesus, to earth.**
  
- **Jesus, the sinless Savior, gave His blood on the cross to pay the price for sin.**
  
- **Jesus rose again to offer us eternal life.**
  
- **Believe that Jesus paid the price for your sin and trust Him alone for eternal life.**



# Rahab's Bold Choice

**Directions:** Read each sentence. • Fill in the blanks with the words from the word bank that best complete each sentence. • Write the letters in the blue boxes in order in the blue boxes below. • Write the letters in the red boxes in order in the red boxes below. • Read the completed sentence.

God    \_\_\_\_\_ to always be with  
Joshua and never    \_\_\_\_\_ him.

God commanded Joshua to be \_\_\_\_\_    \_\_\_\_\_  
and have \_\_\_\_\_    \_\_\_\_\_.

Joshua sent two \_\_\_\_\_    \_\_\_\_\_ into Jericho.

The spies found a    \_\_\_\_\_ named Rahab  
who    \_\_\_\_\_ the one true God.

Rahab risked her life by hiding the spies and  
helping them    \_\_\_\_\_.

Rahab showed her \_\_\_\_\_    in God  
by hanging the red cord in her window.

Israel promised to spare    \_\_\_\_\_  
and her family's lives when they invaded Jericho.

## Word Bank

trusted  
forsake  
woman  
Rahab  
courage  
spies  
escape  
promised  
faith  
strong

God's                encourages  
us to have                in Him.

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for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9).