

Lesson 2

Armor of God



Year 3—Quarter 1: The Armor of God

Ephesians 6:10-20

Satan Our Enemy — Jesus Our Hero

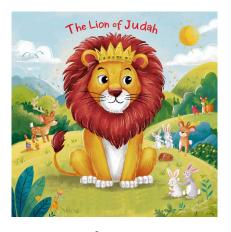
The Tale of Two Lions

Objective: To understand the difference between Jesus as the "Lion of Judah" and Satan as a "roaring lion."

Materials:

- Bible verses printed on paper (Revelation 5:5 and 1 Peter 5:8)
- Pictures of a lion looking regal and another looking sneaky
- Lion masks or puppets for role-play

Introduction: Start by showing the children the two pictures of lions. (Print supplement pages) Ask them how the lions look different and what kind of "personality" they might have based on their appearance.



Jesus. "The Lion of Judah" Revelation 5:5

Read the Verses:

Revelation 5:5: Explain that Jesus is called the "Lion of Judah" because He a lion. Discuss the qualities is strong, brave, and victorious. He is a leader who protects us.

1 Peter 5:8: Contrast this with Satan, who is described as a "roaring lion," one who is sneaky and looking to cause trouble.

Role-Play:

Use the lion masks or puppets to act out the characteristics of both lions. One child can be the "Lion of Judah," showing strength and kindness, while another can be the "roaring lion," pretending to sneak around.

Discussion:

Ask the children why they think Jesus is compared to of a lion that Jesus has (strength, leadership, protection).

Do the same for Satan, discussing why he is compared to a roaring lion (intimidating, deceptive, dangerous).

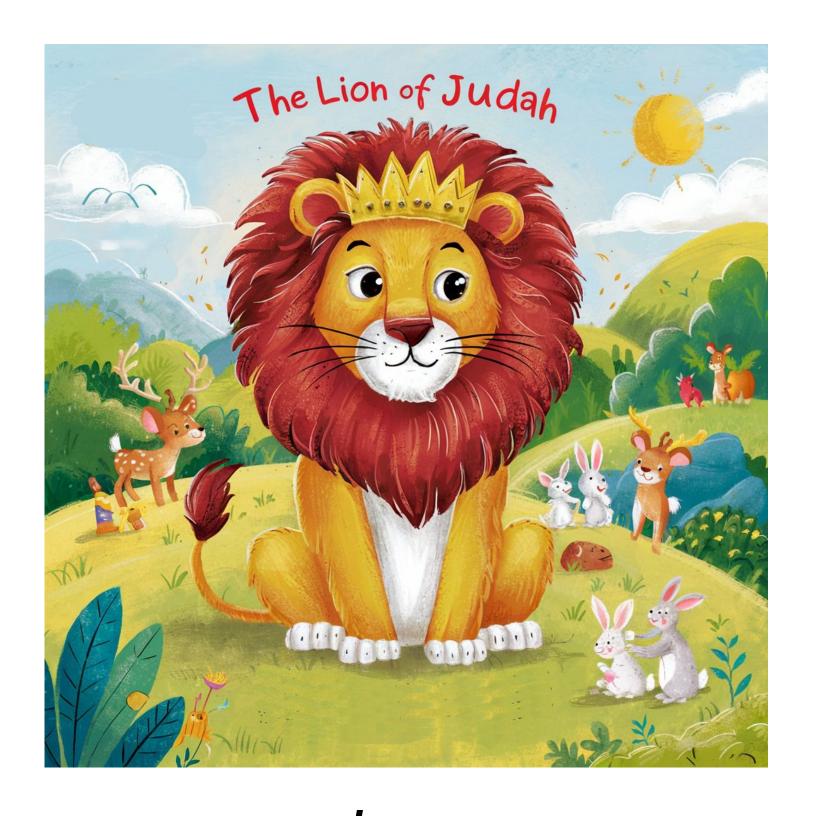
Activity: Have the children draw their own "Lion of Judah" and "roaring lion," depicting the qualities discussed.

Conclusion: Reiterate that while both are called lions. Jesus as the "Lion of Judah" is our protector and leader, and Satan is someone we need to be watchful of, just like the verses say.



Satan, "The roaring lion" 1 Peter 5:8

Prayer: End with a prayer asking for understanding and the ability to recognize the true "Lion of Judah" in our lives.



Jesus, "The Lion of Judah" Revelation 5:5



Satan, "The Roaring Lion" 1 Peter 5:8



Summary

Bible Passage:

Ephesians 6:1-13

Main Point:

Jesus is the King of everything and He has a perfect plan for the future.

Unit Theme:

Prepare yourself for the spiritual battles of life by putting on the whole armor of God.

Our Strategy for Kids:

- To hear the Gospel
- To receive Christ
- To be baptized in water
- To grow strong in God
- To be empowered by the Holy Spirit
- To step up and be leaders in an ungodly world

Explore the Bible

Teach your family about their enemy and Jesus, their Hero so they will "Be aware...but don't despair" (Ephesians 6:1-13)

1. Who Made Who?

• **Jesus** is the best artist ever; He made everything, including the angels!

One of those angels was named **Satan**, but he wasn't always bad. In the beginning, he was one of God's special helpers called a Cherubim.

2. The Big Mistake

- Satan tried to act like he was better than everyone, even God! That's called pride, and it's not good. Because of that, he couldn't stay in heaven.
- But guess what? **Jesus** came back to life after dying for us!

3. Truth vs. Tricks

• Satan is known for telling lies, like a villain in a story.

• But **Jesus** is the superhero who always tells the truth. He's a bright light that shows us the right way!

4. The Life Story

- Satan tries to ruin things because he doesn't like it when we're happy.
- **Jesus** is the complete opposite; He's all about giving us a full and happy life. He's our hero who saves the day!

5. Who's the Boss?

- Even though Satan tries to be sneaky, he can only do what God allows. He's not in charge.
- **Jesus** is the King of everything, and He has a perfect plan for the future.

Remember, kids, Jesus is the best friend you could ever have. He's always there to help you, and make sure you win in the battles of life!

Family Activity

Have your family make lion masks out of paper plates or draw a portrait of a regal-looking lion and title it: "Jesus, the Lion of Judah."

Apply and Pray

Lead your family in prayer of gratitude for God's protection and ask Him to help you to put on the Armor of God daily so you can win the battles of life each day.