Music

Songs for 1 Kings 14

1. "God Knows Your Heart"
- Paraphrased Lyrics: "God knows your heart, He sees your way. Walk in His truth every day. From the north to the south, east to west, God knows what's inside your chest."
- Suggested Actions:
- Place hands over heart when singing "God knows your heart."
- Point up when singing "walk in His truth."
- Point in each cardinal direction when singing "north, south, east, west."
- Connection to Lesson: This song reminds children that, like with King Jeroboam, God knows our true intentions and desires us to follow Him sincerely.

2. "Listen to His Voice"
- Paraphrased Lyrics: "Listen to His voice, He will guide you right. In the darkness, He will be your light. Follow the path He shows, with love and grace, He holds you close."
- Suggested Actions:
- Cup ear when singing "listen to His voice."
- Move hand like shining a flashlight when singing "He will be your light."
- Walk in place when singing "follow the path He shows."
- Connection to Lesson: The song encourages children to seek and follow God’s guidance, as Jeroboam was warned to do but failed to obey.

Worship Activities

1. "Story Circle" Discussion
- Activity Description: Gather students in a circle and read or paraphrase 1 Kings 14. Discuss the importance of listening to God and making right choices.
- Connection to Lesson: This promotes understanding by allowing students to reflect on the consequences of Jeroboam’s actions and God’s omnipresence.

2. "Heart Check Craft"
- Activity Description: Give each student a large heart made from construction paper. Have them write or draw what they think are important qualities that God values in their hearts.
- Connection to Lesson: Like Jeroboam, remind kids that God sees and values what’s in our hearts and that we should strive to have a heart that seeks Him.

3. "Follow the Light Game"
- Activity Description: Turn off the lights and use a flashlight to guide students around the room as they follow it, simulating following God's guidance.
- Connection to Lesson: This represents how King Jeroboam had the chance to follow God’s guidance, and students are reminded to follow God’s path.