Takehome

Take-Home Assignment: Understanding 1 Kings 19

Objective: Reflect on the story of Elijah in 1 Kings 19 and understand themes like listening, trust, and God's presence.

Summary of the Story:

In 1 Kings 19, we learn about the prophet Elijah. He was feeling tired and scared because of the challenges he faced. He ran away into the wilderness where he rested. God sent an angel to provide him with food and drink to keep him strong. Later, Elijah went to a mountain where he experienced wind, an earthquake, and a fire, but God's voice wasn't in those events. Finally, Elijah heard God in a quiet whisper.

Activities and Questions

1. Story Retelling with Family:
- Take turns with a family member retelling the story of Elijah from memory and then read through 1 Kings 19 together to fill in any missed details.

2. Quiet Whisper Experience:
- Find a quiet spot at home. Sit quietly for five minutes and listen. Write down or draw what sounds you hear. How did it feel to be still and listen?

3. Questions to Discuss:
- How did God help Elijah when he was feeling tired and scared?
- Why do you think God's voice was in the quiet whisper instead of the wind, earthquake, or fire?
- Share a time when you felt peaceful or comforted by something quiet or gentle.

4. Creative Drawing:
- Draw a picture of one part of the story: Elijah resting under a tree, the angel bringing him food, or Elijah on the mountain experiencing the whisper. Explain your drawing to your family.

5. Family Reflection:
- With your family, talk about ways you can listen for God or spend quiet time together this week. Plan a short time each day for quiet reflection or prayer as a family.

6. Practicing Trust:
- Elijah had to trust God when he was scared. Write a list of things you can do to trust in God or someone at home when you feel worried or afraid. Share your list with your family.

Completion: Return to school with your drawings and lists of reflections to share with your class. Discuss how this story and activities helped you understand more about listening and trusting in God.