Music

Song Recommendations and Activities for 2 Kings 9 for Elementary Students

1. Song: "God is in Control"

- Lyrics Paraphrase: Simplify the concept by emphasizing that God guides everything and is always in charge, just as He orchestrated events in 2 Kings 9.
- Suggested Actions:
- Raise hands above head to form a dome (signifying God's control).
- Use finger movements to mimic directing or guiding when talking about God leading events.
- Connection: This connects to how God guided the events leading to Jehu's anointing and actions. It reassures children that God has a plan even in challenging times.

2. Song: "Marching for the Lord"

- Lyrics Paraphrase: "We are marching for the Lord, following His word," emphasizing obedience to God's directives.
- Suggested Actions:
- March in place or around the room to the beat.
- Use a salute action when singing about following God's word, to symbolize readiness and obedience.
- Connection: Reflects the idea of following God's orders, paralleling how Jehu was commanded to fulfill God's will.

3. Song: "God’s Plan is Perfect"

- Lyrics Paraphrase: Describe God's perfect plan and how we can trust Him, because He knows best.
- Suggested Actions:
- Open arms wide to describe God's plan.
- Bring hands to heart when talking about trusting in God.
- Connection: Relates to how Jehu's kingship was part of God's perfect plan for Israel, prompting trust and faith in God’s knowledge and power.

4. Activity: "Role Play the Story"

- Instructions: Divide students into groups and assign roles like Elijah, the prophet, Jehu, and the people of Israel. Have them act out the key scenes in a simplified manner.
- Connection: By acting out the story, students will better understand the sequence of events and the importance of following God’s commands.

5. Activity: "Draw God’s Plan"

- Instructions: Have students draw a sequence of events showing how God’s plan unfolded for Jehu.
- Connection: This activity can help consolidate the main theme of God’s overarching plan and His control over history, as demonstrated in the scripture.

These activities and songs ideally encourage the understanding of God's sovereignty and the

importance of obedience and trust, both core messages from 2 Kings 9.