

## Unit 6 Lesson 2 **God made us to do things in a holy way**

Heartprint: **God Made Us to Do Holy Things**

Memory Verse: **Micah 6:8**

February 14, 2021

Link to Large Group video: <https://youtu.be/oDW6eRtfZBM>

**Song:** *God Made Me Wonderful*

[https://youtu.be/roOQJg\\_XKtc](https://youtu.be/roOQJg_XKtc)

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### **Activity:** *Can You Remember the Motions? / Four Corners*

**Items Needed:**

- None

**Instructions:** Think of this as telephone but with motions and socially distanced into four corners. :)

Split the class up into four groups and send one group to each of the four corners in your room. All the children will be facing the wall (away from each other) until it is their group's turn to learn the motions. The groups will be shown a set of motions, need to remember them in order, then show the next group. The teacher will start by showing the first group a set of motions - could be arms up, arms down, jump up, turn around... or even Bible verse motions! After the teacher shows the motions, he/she will tell the group to show the next group (remember to keep them in order!). But there is a catch!!!! When the first group shows the second group, they will have to keep one arm behind their back, or stand on one leg, etc. (This is a link to the story.) Continue with showing the motions in order, without an arm or leg, until all the groups have seen the motions. Once all the groups have gone... have the last group show the teacher what they \*think\* the order of motions is. Did they get it right?!

**Connection Point:** Showing our friends motions in a sequence without an arm or leg is hard!! But it is still so important to remember what you are shown or told and not mess it up. In our story today, we heard about a prophet named Ezekiel sent by God. God told Ezekiel He would make his tongue stick to the top of his mouth so that he would not say the wrong thing.

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### **Craft:** *Tell the Truth Megaphone*

**Items Needed:**

- Styrofoam cup
- God spoke template
- Stickers
- Markers
- Glue



**Instructions:**

Gather the children around the craft table. Distribute a styrofoam cup, markers and stickers to each child so they can decorate their megaphone.

**Connection Point:** We created a megaphone to remind us that God spoke His message through the prophet Ezekiel! We can also tell others the truth about the good news!

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**Bible Lesson:** *God made us to do things in a holy way*

**Memory Verse:** “Do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with your God.” Micah 6:8  
[https://youtu.be/uiU5Q\\_lzrxs](https://youtu.be/uiU5Q_lzrxs)

**This week’s story is taken from Ezekiel 3:16-27:**

Raise your hand if you know how to talk. Good! Think about who you normally talk to and what you talk about. Do you talk to your friends and family about things that you like?

Today in our story God tells Ezekiel who he should talk to and what he should talk about. Let’s look in this book to find out what God says to Ezekiel. (Hold up Bible) What is this book? (the Bible) What do we know about the Bible? (Repeat together: The Bible is God’s Word. The Bible is always true. The Bible is always right.)

Let’s open our Bibles to Ezekiel 3:

Ezekiel was a prophet. Can you say Ezekiel? (ee-ZEEK- ee-uhl) What does a prophet do? Well, God gives a prophet His words and the prophet goes out and tells the people God’s words, or what we call God’s truth.

Ezekiel was a prophet a long time ago, long before everyone had a Bible. Do you have a Bible in your house? Good! We get to read God’s words for ourselves! And every word in this book is true and these words help us grow closer to God, because they are God’s truth.

Let’s get back to our prophet Ezekiel. God wanted Ezekiel to warn the people about sin. Do you know what sin is? (let them try to answer) Sin is doing something that God does not want you to do. God wants the VERY best for us and sin hurts us. So God wants us to stay away from sin! That is why He sent Ezekiel. Ezekiel was supposed to say, “WARNING WARNING! Stay away from sin!”

God wanted Ezekiel to warn people who did not love God about sinning. God told Ezekiel that if he would tell them the truth there was a chance they would stop doing bad things or sinning, and they would turn back to love God. God told Ezekiel that telling the people God’s truth was Ezekiel’s job. His only job was to tell them the truth and if he didn’t tell them the truth, God would be angry with him.

God also wanted Ezekiel to warn people who loved God about sinning. If they loved God why would they need Ezekiel to tell them God’s word? Sometimes even though we love God we do bad things. Ezekiel had to tell the good people about sin so that they might not do bad things. God told Ezekiel if he didn’t tell them the truth He would be angry with him.

Ezekiel did not want God to be angry at him! Ezekiel had to tell those who were doing bad and those who were doing good the truth about God and warn them about sinning.

God sent His spirit to be with Ezekiel. God said the people would be mad and say bad things to Ezekiel, but God himself would make Ezekiel’s tongue stick to the top of his mouth so that he would not say the wrong

thing and argue with the people. See if you can talk with your tongue stuck to the top of your mouth! It is impossible! Then God said that at just the right time He himself would open Ezekiel's mouth to tell all the people the truth.

Even though this would be hard, God wanted Ezekiel to understand this was his job. This is what God called Ezekiel to do and what God was equipping him for. This was important work! The people needed to know how to live and how to love God.

God wants us to tell people the truth too. That is why we come to church, to hear the truth. We read the Bible so that we understand God's truth. Because how we act matters to God, how we act is spiritual. We can tell others about God's truth then we and they can live and love God.

**Let's pray:**

God, you are good. Help us tell others the truth about how you sent your Son to save us from sin so that we can live forever with you.

**Questions:**

1. Do you remember the prophet's name from our story? (Ezekiel)
2. What does a prophet do? (Tell others God's truth)
3. Who was Ezekiel supposed to tell? (Those doing good, those doing bad)
4. What did God send to help Ezekiel do this hard job? (Holy Spirit)
5. Was this an important job for Ezekiel to do? (Yes!)





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