

# Jonah

## Welcome

### ♪ Hot Cross Buns

Time for class, time for class  
Bells are ringing, children singing  
Time for class

### ♪ The Wheels on the Bus

The clock on the wall goes,  
"Tick-tick-tock, tick-tick-tock, tick-tick-tock  
The clock on the wall goes  
Tick-tick tock,  
It's time for Bible Class

### ♪ Found a Peanut

There are seven days, there are seven days  
There are seven days a week  
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday, Friday, Saturday  
Every Sunday is the Lord's Day We will praise and honor him (2x)  
Every Wednesday we will study We will come to Bible class (2x)

### ♪ Rise and Shine

Rise and Shine and give God the glory, glory  
Rise and Shine and give God the glory, glory  
Rise and Shine and give God the glory, glory  
Children of the Lord

### ♪ \_\_\_\_\_ Away

Bells Away, bells Away  
We put the bells away today  
Bells Away, bells Away  
We put the bells away today

(Sing this song each time  
you put something away.)

(Spoken) How did you get to the church building?  
Did you come in a plane? No! That's silly.

Blow  
bubbles to  
distract

Clock-  
make sure it  
has  
batteries  
and see if  
they can  
hear the tick  
tock.

Bells

Cars

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## ♪ Did you come to worship in a \_\_\_\_?

Did you come to worship in a train? Oh no! (2x)  
Did you come to worship in a plane? Oh no! (2x)  
Did you come to worship in a boat? Oh no! (2x)  
Did you come to worship in a car? Oh, Yes!

## ♪ The Farmer in the Dale

\_\_\_\_\_ came to class  
\_\_\_\_\_ came to class  
With all the other boys and girls  
\_\_\_\_\_ came to class

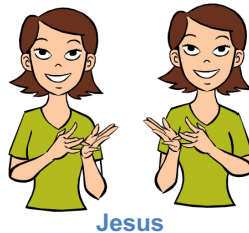
## ♪ Good Night Ladies

God made me. God made me.  
In my Bible book it says that God made me.

God loves me. God loves me.  
In my Bible book it says that God loves me.

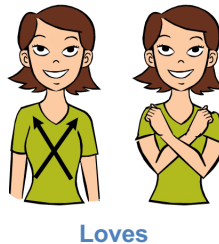
## ♪ The Farmer in the Dell

\_\_\_\_\_ obeys the Lord  
\_\_\_\_\_ obeys the Lord  
\_\_\_\_\_ will follow God  
\_\_\_\_\_ obeys the Lord



## ♪ Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me, This I know  
For the Bible tells me so  
Little Ones to Him belong  
They are weak but He is strong  
Yes, Jesus loves me (3x)  
The Bible tells me so



Jesus sees me when I sleep  
Jesus sees me when I play  
Jesus sees me all the time  
And He cares for me each day  
Yes, Jesus loves me (3x)  
The Bible tells me so

## ♪ I see the Moon

God Made the Flowers  
God Made the Trees  
God Made the Grass  
And God Made Me  
God Made the Birds and the little bitty bugs

Mirror

Baby Dolls

# Jonah

God Made Arms to give BIG Hugs

## Praise

Do you see this mountain? It's big right?  
Do you see this strong person? They are big right?  
Did you know that God is bigger than a mountain and stronger than the strongest person. Let's praise Him!

### ♪ **My God is So Big**

My God is so big  
So strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do  
My God is so big  
So strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do  
The mountains are His  
The valleys are His  
The stars are His handywork too  
My God is so big  
So strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do FOR YOU!

When we love God we have JOY in our hearts!

### ♪ **Three Blind Mice**

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord  
Joyfully, Joyfully  
Give thanks to God for the food we eat  
Our homes and our church family  
Praise God for giving us all that we need  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord

### ♪ **Jesus Loves Me**

Jesus loves me, this I know  
For the sunshine tells me so  
Tells me as it shines so bright  
Giving all the world its light

### CHORUS

Yes, Jesus loves me (3x)  
The Bible tells me so

Jesus loves me, this I know

Pictures of  
Big things,  
Mountain,  
Earth,  
Strong man

Happy Baby  
Face-  
Laminated

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For the birdies tell me so  
Tell me by their merry song  
Singing now the whole day long

## CHORUS

Jesus loves me, this I know  
For the raindrops tell me so  
Tell me as they gently fall  
On the trees, the flowers, and all.

## CHORUS

## Prayer

Do you know how we can talk to God?  
Do we call him on the phone? No, that is silly.  
Do we write him a letter? No, that is silly.  
To talk to God we PRAY!



Pray

♪ **Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star.**  
We can talk to God each day  
When we fold our hands to pray  
Close our eyes and bow our heads  
At the table or in bed  
We can talk to God each day  
When we fold our hands to pray



God

♪ **Down in the Valley**  
Pray in the morning. Pray at noon  
Pray in the evening. Pray at night  
When you are sad or filled with delight  
Pray to God and you'll be alright

♪ **Love Lifted me (Chorus)**  
God talks to us, God talks to us  
When we read His Holy Book  
God talks to us  
We talk to God, we talk to God  
When we bow our heads and pray  
We talk to God

♪ **Mary Had a Little Lamb.**  
Thank you, God, for giving us (point to self)  
Giving us, giving us

praying  
hands

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Thank you, God, for giving us  
Everything we need.

## ♪ The Mulberry Bush

Give thanks to God for everything  
For everything, for everything  
Give thanks to God for everything  
For everything He gives us.



## ♪ I like to eat, eat, eat apples and bananas

I like to pray, pray, pray, to God in Heaven  
I like to pray, pray, pray, to God in Heaven  
I like to give thanks, thanks, thanks, to God in Heaven  
I like to give thanks, thanks, thanks, to God in Heaven  
I like to praise, praise, praise, God in Heaven  
I like to praise, praise, praise, God in Heaven

## ♪ Jesus Loves Me

Jesus taught us how to pray,  
to God our Father everyday;  
Morning, noon, and night-time, too,  
We can pray and so can you.  
Yes, we can pray! Yes, we can pray!  
Yes, we can pray; to God through-out the day.

## ♪ Are you Sleeping?

God our Father, God our Father  
Once again, Once again  
We will ask thy blessing, We will ask thy blessing  
Amen, Amen

## ♪ The Mulberry Bush

This is the way we fold our hands,  
Fold our hands, fold our hands  
This is the way we fold our hands,  
When we pray to God.  
This is the way we bow our heads...  
This is the way we close our eyes...  
This is the way we zip our lips...

(Help them be still and fold hands.)

# Jonah

Dear God,  
You are so loving and holy! You are worthy of our praise!  
Thank-you for being with David in the bible and thank you for being with  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name students)  
We love you so much!  
In Jesus's name we pray, AMEN! (Encourage them to say Amen.)

We talk to God by praying, but how does God talk to us?  
Does he call us on the phone? No! That is silly.

He talks to us through the words in the BIBLE!

## Bible

### ♪ This Old Man

Bible words, Bible words  
Thank-you, God for Bible words  
They teach us how to live and pray  
Thank-you, God, for Bible words

### ♪ This is the Way

This is the way we pat the Bible, pat the Bible, pat the Bible  
This is the way we pat the Bible with our baby hands

### ♪ Put Your Little Foot

Pat the Bible book, pat the Bible book  
Pat it with your little hand  
Pat the Bible book, pat the Bible book  
Pat it with your little hand

### ♪ Did you Ever See a Lassie

Oh, I like to pat the Bible, the Bible, the Bible  
Oh, I like to pat the Bible with hands God gave me  
I'll pat-pat and pat-pat. I'll pat-pat and pat-pat  
Oh, I like to pat the Bible with hands God gave me

Oh, I love to read the Bible, the Bible, the Bible  
Oh, I love to read the Bible with eyes God gave me  
I'll read and I'll read. I'll read and I'll read  
Oh, I love to read the Bible with eyes God gave me

Oh, I love to hear the Bible, the Bible, the Bible  
Oh, I love to hear the Bible with ears God gave me  
I'll listen and listen. I'll listen and listen

Bibles

# Jonah

Oh, I love to hear the Bible with ears God gave me

The more we read the Bible, the Bible, the Bible  
The more we read the Bible, the happier we'll be  
We'll learn about Jesus and how we can trust Him  
The more we read the Bible, the happier we'll be

## ♪ The B-I-B-L-E

Oh, the B-I-B-L-E, yes that's the book for me  
I stand alone on the Word of God, the B-I-B-L-E  
Oh, the B-I-B-L-E, yes that's the book for me  
I love to hear the stories from the B-I-B-L-E  
Oh, the B-I-B-L-E yes that's the book for me  
I love the Bible the book of God, the B-I-B-L-E  
BIBLE!

## ♪ My Bible and Me

I have a wonderful treasure, a gift from God without measure  
And so we travel together, my Bible and me.

Did you know the Bible is a whole library? That's right! There are 66 books!

The Bible has 2 parts.

The Old Testament (Lean praying hands and head to one side)  
And the New Testament (To the other Side)

## ♪ Thirty-nine and Twenty-Seven

39 books in the Old Testament  
27 books in the New  
Put them together and what do you get?  
The Bible for me and for you!

## ♪ Old Testament Songs

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers,  
Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth,  
First and Second Samuel, First and Second Kings,  
First and Second Chronicles,  
Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther,  
Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes,  
Song of Solomon, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations,  
Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel,  
Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah,  
Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai,  
Zechariah, Malachi

(Point to the books as you sing)

# Jonah

## ♪ **Sixty-six Books in the Bible**

Sixty-six, Sixty-six Books in the Bible! (Roll hands over each other)

Sixty-six, Sixty-six Books in the Bible! (Faster)

Sixty-six, Sixty-six Books in the Bible! (Super Fast)

## ♪ **The Farmer in the Dell**

The Bibles go in the box

The Bibles go in the box

God's words we'll learn today

The Bibles go in the box



# Jonah

## Lesson

Let's see what God says in the Bible in the book of Jonah.

God told Jonah, "Go to Nineveh and preach." But Jonah said, "No Thank-you," and he ran away from God. He got on a boat going the other way. That was a big "uh-oh."

### ♪ London Bridge

God asked Jonah to obey, to obey, to obey,  
God asked Jonah to obey, But he said No.

So from God he ran away, ran away, ran away,  
So from God he ran away, and disobeyed the LORD.

That was a big uh-oh, big uh-oh, big uh-oh  
That was a big uh-oh, the Lord we must obey

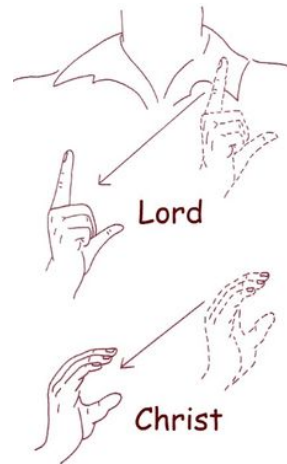
### ♪ Rise and Shine and Give God the Glory

The Lord told Jonah to go to Nineveh  
And to pre-ach to- the Ninevites living there  
He boarded in a boat going the other way  
And he even paid the fare

Oh, Jonah, Oh, Jonah,  
What did you do? do?  
Oh, Jonah, Oh, Jonah,  
What did you do? do?  
We know we should (clap)  
Obey the Lord  
Children of the Lord

### ♪ I'm a little Teapot

Jonah ran from God to get away  
He didn't want to hear what God had to say.  
He climbed on board a boat and sailed to sea  
He told the Lord to let him be.



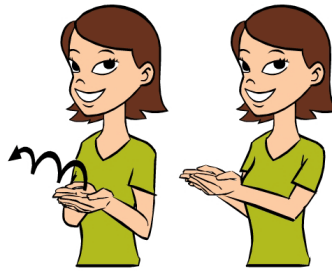
Little  
Person-  
Jonah

Boat and  
Tub of  
Water

# Jonah



*Wind*



*Boat*

## **Fans**

But the LORD sent a strong wind and storm. It was so wild that the ship was in danger of breaking apart. All the sailors were afraid. Each one cried out for help. They threw the ship's contents into the sea. They were trying to make the ship lighter so it wouldn't sink.

## ♪ **Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush**

Oh, the wind is blowing - all over the sea  
All over the sea, all over the sea  
Oh, the wind is blowing all over the sea  
Just like so. (Child blows)

Oh, the sails are bending - way down low  
Way down low, way down low  
Oh, the sails are bending - way down low.  
Just like so. (Child bends low)

Oh, The boat is rocking to and fro,  
To and fro, To and fro  
Oh the boat is rocking to and fro,  
Just like so. (Child rocks back and forth)

## ♪ **Are You Sleeping?**

It's so windy, It's so windy  
Can't you see? Can't you see  
The waves are rocking, The waves are rocking  
The boat and me, The boat and me

## **Spoken**

Uh-oh, What do you know?  
Jonah disobeyed  
Uh-oh What do you know?  
He made God sad that day

# Jonah

The winds obey, The waves obey  
Our Lord the King of Kings  
And when I'm big and strong and good  
I'll be in His following

## ♪ **Who's the King of the Jungle**

Who's the King of the wind? (who who?)  
Who's the King of the sea? (who who)  
Who's the King of the universe?  
And Who's the King of me?

His name is J-E-S-U-S, JESUS!  
He's the King of me!  
He's the King of the Universe,  
The jungle and the sea (water water water)  
He's the King of the wind, He's the King of the sea  
He's the King of the universe, And He's the King of me

## ♪ **The roof, the roof, the roof is on fire** (spoken)

The boat, the boat, it did not want to float  
The boat, the boat, it did not want to float

## **Jonah and Pillow and Blanket**

But Jonah had gone below deck. There he lay down and fell into a deep sleep. The captain went down to him and said, "How can you sleep? Get up and call out to your god for help! Maybe he'll pay attention to what's happening to us. Then we won't die."

## ♪ **Are you Sleeping**

Are you sleeping? Are you sleeping?  
Jonah, dear? Jonah, dear?  
Can you pray to God? Can you pray to God?  
We need his help right here! We need his help right here!

The sailors wanted to know who was to blame for this terrible storm, they figured out it was Jonah! They asked him, "What terrible thing have you done to bring all this trouble on us? Tell us."

He answered, "I'm a Hebrew. I worship the LORD. He is the God of heaven. He made the sea and the dry land."

Sailors

# Jonah

## ♪ **Our God is an Awesome God**

Our God is an awesome God  
He reigns in Heaven above  
With Wisdom Power and Love  
Our God is an awesome God

The sailors found out he was running away from the LORD. Then the sailors became terrified. So they asked him, "How could you do a thing like that?"

## ♪ **Oh no, Whatcha gonna do? (Veggie Tales)**

Oh no, Whatcha gonna do?  
The Lord is really disappointed in you  
Oh no, Whatcha gonna do?  
The waves are getting really fierce

The sea was getting rougher and rougher. So they asked him, "What should we do to you to make the sea calm down?" "Pick me up and throw me into the sea," he replied. "Then it will become calm. I know it's my fault."

## ♪ **Oh no, Whatcha gonna do? (Veggie Tales)**

Oh no, Whatcha gonna do? I'd throw me in the sea if I were you  
Oh no, Whatcha gonna do? The waves are getting really fierce

But the men didn't do what he said. Instead, they did their best to row back to land. But they couldn't. The sea got even rougher than before. Then they cried out to the LORD. They prayed, "Please, LORD, don't be mad at us for throwing Jonah in the sea."

## ♪ **Michael Row Your Boat Ashore**

Sailors row your boat ashore, Hallelujah (2x)  
The waves were fierce and the sea was rough, Hallelujah (2x)  
Lord, please don't be mad at us, Hallelujah (2x)  
Here's your Jonah we'll throw him in, Hallelujah  
The sea was calm, let's praise the Lord, Hallelujah

## **Knock Jonah off of boat into the water**

Then they took Jonah and threw him overboard. And the stormy sea became calm. The men saw what had happened. Then they began to have great respect for the LORD. They offered a sacrifice to him. And they made promises to him. Now the LORD sent a huge fish to swallow Jonah.

**Waves**  
(Ziploc  
Bags with  
Blue Hair  
Gel & Blue  
Fabric  
Strips, blue  
table cloth  
and jumping  
fish)

**(Big) Fish**

# Jonah

## ♪ Who Did Swallow Jonah?

Who did, who did, who did, who did, who did swallow Jo- Jo- Jo-nah  
Who did, who did, who did, who did, who did swallow Jo- Jo- Jo-nah  
Who did, who did, who did, who did, who did swallow Jo- Jo- Jo-nah  
Who did swallow Jonah? Who did swallow Jonah Who did swallow  
Jonah down?

A big fish, big fish, big fish, big fish, big fish swallowed Jo- Jo- Jo-nah  
A big fish, big fish, big fish, big fish, big fish swallowed Jo- Jo- Jo-nah  
A big fish, big fish, big fish, big fish, big fish swallowed Jo- Jo- Jo-nah  
A big fish swallowed Jonah, big fish swallowed Jonah, a big fish  
swallowed Jonah down.

And Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights.  
He prayed and prayed to God.

## ♪ London Bridge

Jonah was swallowed by a big fish  
By a big fish, by a big fish,  
Jonah was swallowed by a big fish.  
Swallowed whole! (rub tummy at the end)

Jonah realized he was wrong  
he was wrong, he was wrong  
Jonah realized he was wrong  
He told God was sorry.

Jonah prayed to God above  
God above, God above,  
Jonah prayed to God above  
And was forgiven!  
(hold hands in prayer position at the end)

## ♪ Reuben, Reuben I've Been Thinking

Jonah, Jonah won't you tell us  
How'd you live inside that fish?  
God provided all I needed  
Taught me not to be selfish

## ♪ Six Little Ducks that I Once Knew

I am a fish that the Lord God made  
I swallowed Jonah one faithful day  
To take him down to the bottom of the sea  
Where God could talk to him more personally

# Jonah

So I need your help if you know what I mean  
To carry him there like a submarine  
Cause God wanted Jonah to go and preach  
So I spat him out near Nineveh's beach

## ♪ I'm a Little Teapot

God said to Jonah, "not so fast",  
My time with you has not yet passed.  
The Lord sent a storm and rocked the boat  
Jonah fell into the sea and tried to float.

A fish swam by and swallowed the man  
Jonah prayed, "Lord, I'm sorry I ran"  
God forgave Jonah after three days  
Jonah thanked God and was on his way.

From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the LORD his God. He said, "When I was in trouble, I called out to the LORD. And he answered me. I went away from you, but I will look to you again. I will say, 'LORD, You are the one who saves.'" The LORD gave the fish a command. And it spit Jonah up onto dry land.  
(Spit each child's Jonah out on the table with the big fish puppet.)

## ♪ Who Did Swallow Jonah (sort of)

Lord, Lord, Lord, Lord  
You are the One who saves  
Lord, Lord, Lord, Lord  
You are the One who saves  
Lord, Lord, Lord, Lord  
You are the One who saves  
Thank you, Thank you, Thank you (3x)  
Lord

## ♪ Mary Had a Little Lamb

Jonah prayed "I'm sorry, LORD"  
"I'm sorry, LORD", "I'm sorry, LORD"  
Jonah prayed "I'm sorry, LORD"  
And this time I'll obey.  
(fold hands in prayer, nod head in agreement)

So God gave him a second chance,  
Second chance, Second chance,  
So God gave him a second chance,  
And the big fish spit him out.

# Jonah

(hold up two fingers, then make gagging noise)

Jonah then went to Nineveh,  
Nineveh, Nineveh,  
Jonah then went to Nineveh,  
To tell about the Lord!

Jonah was spit out on the ground.  
Out on the ground, out on the ground.  
Jonah was spit out on the ground.  
Now he's preaching.

The LORD talked to Jonah and said, "Go to the city of Nineveh." Jonah obeyed the LORD. He went to Nineveh. Yeah! Jonah! That was a great choice. Thank you for obeying God. That made God so happy. Our mummies and daddies are so happy when we obey too!

## ♪ I Like to Eat, Apples, and Bananas

I like to obey, obey, obey our God in heaven  
I like to obey, obey, obey our God in heaven  
He says Hurray, hurray, hurray when I obey  
He says Hurray, hurray, hurray when I obey

## ♪ Mary Had a Little Lamb

I'll obey like Jonah too,  
Jonah too, Jonah too,  
I'll obey like Jonah too,  
And tell about the LORD!  
(nod head in agreement)

## ♪ If You're Happy and You Know It

When I obey my God it makes Him happy...  
When I obey my God it makes Him happy  
I'll obey Him all day long, It will keep me from doing wrong  
When I obey my God it makes him happy

When I obey my dad it makes him happy...  
When I obey my mom it makes her happy...

## Burlap

Nineveh was a very large city. Jonah walked through the city and said, "In 40 days Nineveh will be destroyed." The people of Nineveh believed God's warning. So they decided not to eat any food for a while. And all of them put on the rough clothing people wear when they're sad. (Put Burlap over each child's arm.) That's what everyone did.

Burlap

# Jonah

(Walk Jonah around the table)

## **Spoken Loudly**

In 40 days Ninevah will be destroyed  
In 40 days Ninevah will be destroyed  
Unless you repent and obey the Lord

Jonah's warning reached the king of Nineveh. He got up from his throne. He took off his royal robes. He also dressed himself in the clothing of sadness. And then he sat down in the dust and told all the people of Nineveh,

"Don't let people or animals taste anything. Let people and animals be covered with the clothing of sadness. (Children cover animals with burlap.) All of you must call out to God with all your hearts. Stop doing bad things. Don't hurt others. 'Who knows? God may be kind to us and not destroy our city.

## **♪ This Old Man**

Don't eat food, You or your animals  
Put on your sad clothes.  
Stop doing bad things and hurting others  
God may help us after all.

God saw what they did. He saw that they stopped doing bad things. So God had mercy on them. He didn't destroy them as he had said he would. God loves everyone. God was so happy the people of Nineveh chose to obey him!

## **♪ God is Love**

God is love, God is love  
He didn't destroy Nineveh  
God is love

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## **Review Songs**

### **♪ I'm a Little Teapot**

Jonah sailed away from God one day  
Swallowed by a fish, and then he prayed  
The fish spit Jonah on the beach  
He went to Nineveh to teach and preach

### **♪ Jesus Loves Me**

**Animals  
and Burlap**



# Jonah

Jonah, Jonah have you heard? Said the Lord, "Go preach My Word"  
Jonah said, "That's not for me." Took a ship and fled to sea

Chorus:

Hey, Jonah! Jonah! (3x)

You should obey the Lord

Though he thought he'd get away, Soon the ship began to sway  
Jonah said, "It's for my sin! Pick me up and throw me in

Chorus

When it seemed that he would drown

Came a fish and gulped him down

Jonah prayed, "Lord, I'll obey;

Tell the folks about Your way

Chorus

Lord I'll obey you! (3x)

I will obey the Lord

Optional: Craft Extension

Have infants using glue sticks help glue a big fish to a piece of blue paper (ocean) and smaller stick figure Jonah on top of the fish. (Have wipes available for hand cleaning.)

Make a lift the flap page of Jonah inside big fish belly

Coloring page with washable crayons