John 14:5-11

⁵ Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

⁷ "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him."

⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."

⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own *authority*; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. ¹¹ Believe Me that I *am* in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.

Through God's word we discover what is right and true.

Then we live it out in all we say and do.



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EARLY CHILDHOOD LEVEL 2 HOME JOURNAL



THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

What does God's messenger do?

LESSON RHYME

P—P—Prophets
Foretold of Jesus' birth
P—P—Prophets
A Savior'd come to earth

Level 2—Parent Notes:

- <u>Daily Reading</u>: Read the entire booklet to the child. Go back
 to the appropriate day, reread the content and have the child
 answer questions about it from the <u>Daily Reading Questions</u> at
 the back of the booklet. Include personal ideas and additional
 questions. Read and discuss the daily Bible verse if appropriate
 for the child. Have the child draw a picture related to the content.
- <u>Lesson Rhyme</u>: Read the <u>Lesson Rhyme</u> on the next page, saying the sound of the letter instead of its name. Point to each word as you read it. Discuss the meaning of the rhyme. Have the child trace the letter with a finger and say its sound. Practice with the child the signs that go along with the <u>Lesson Rhyme</u> (included below). Review and repeat the rhyme every day.
- Concluding Lesson: Complete the activities under Concluding Lesson at the back of the book.
- <u>Completion</u>: If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day's work completed and the lesson rhyme memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- Way to go, parents! Your faithfulness in teaching your children
 the deed and statutes of the Lord isn't always easy, but it honors
 God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work!
 Remember Galatians 6:9, And let us not grow weary while doing
 good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

Lesson Rhyme Signs

P—P Make sign of P

Prophets Move sign of P out from mouth

Foretold of Move sign of P in a circle out in front
Jesus' birth Put arms together like rocking a baby

P—P—Prophets Same as above

A Savior'd Form a cross with index fingers

come to earth

Put arms together in a circle over head.

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Daily Reading Questions

<u>Day 1</u>: What is a prophet? What did the prophets say God would do? Why is what they said important?

<u>Day 2</u>: What is a virgin? What did the prophet say the virgin would have? Why is that strange? What would the virgin's son do?

<u>Day 3</u>: Whose line did the prophets say the Savior would come from? What would he do for all people? What is salvation? Why do we need salvation?

<u>Day 4</u>: Where would the Savior be born? What was special about Bethlehem? Why was Jesus born in Bethlehem instead of where his parents lived?

<u>Day 5</u>: Whom would God send before the Savior came? What would that person do? What is our shame? Who was the prophet who came before Jesus? How do we know John was the one who was to come first?

<u>Day 6</u>: How do we know Jesus is the Son of God? Why do people reject Jesus? Why is life better when we obey Jesus?

Concluding Lesson

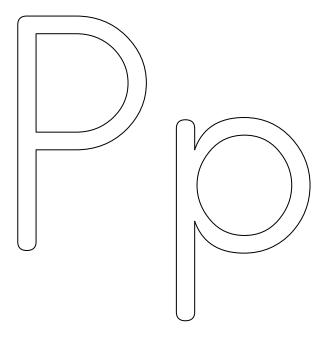
<u>Review</u>: What is a prophet? What is a virgin? What did the prophet say the virgin would have? Whose line did the prophets say the Savior would come from? Where would the Savior be born? Who would God send before the Savior came? How do we know Jesus is the Son of God?

<u>Prayer</u>: Thank God for telling the prophets about the coming of the Savior and the signs of his coming. Thank God that we can know Jesus and be sure that he is the Son of God because of the miracles he did and the prophecy he fulfilled.

<u>Application</u>: Share with someone what the prophets said about the Messiah.

<u>Dictation</u>: Have the child dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson. Have the child repeat back the dictation, trace over the letters and draw a picture to go with it.

#C1 What did the prophets say about the Savior?



P—P—Prophets
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Day 1 Draw a picture of a prophet.

Long ago God's prophets
foretold of Jesus' birth,
That the Father up above
would send a Savior to the earth.
The prophets promised many signs
the Savior's birth would show,
So when God's Son came to earth
the people'd surely know.

2 Peter 1:19: ¹⁹ And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;

Day 6 Draw a picture of you and Jesus.

The prophecies have been fulfilled but people still reject God's Son.

They don't want to bow to Jesus; they don't believe he is the One.

The hearts of men are hard and dark, they don't want to go God's way.

They can't see that life is better, when Jesus they obey.

John 3:19-20: ¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

Day 5 Draw a picture of Jesus and John the Baptist.

Another prophet God would send before the Savior came
He'd prepare the hearts of men by speaking of their shame.
Jesus said that John was the one the Father sent.
And in order to be baptized it was to John that Jesus went.

Malachi 4:5-6: ⁵ Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD. ⁶ And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse."

Day 2 Draw a picture of Mary and Angel Gabriel.

Isaiah said a virgin
would have a baby boy.
He would save God's people
and fill their hearts with joy.
Jesus' mother was a virgin;
she hadn't been a wife.
And so the Holy Spirit
was the one who gave Christ life.

Isaiah 7:14: ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Day 3 Draw a picture of King David playing a harp.

The Savior'd be of David,
a good and faithful king.
Salvation to all people
is the gift that he would bring.
Jesus' royal lineage
fulfilled the prophet's sign,
As both Mary and good Joseph
were from King David's line

<u>Jeremiah 23:5</u>: ⁵ "Behold, *the* days are coming," says the LORD, "That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; A King shall reign and prosper, And execute judgment and righteousness in the earth.

Day 4 Draw a picture of the town of Bethlehem.

The Savior would be born
in King David's own hometown.
So Bethlehem would be the place
the baby would be found.
Jesus' earthly parents
lived in Nazareth far away.
But by the king's decree
they were in Bethlehem that day.

Micah 5:2: ² "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, *Though* you are little among the thousands of Judah, *Yet* out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth *are* from of old, From everlasting."