



SUNDAY

MORNING SERVICE

8:30 10:30	TEAM HUDDLE: Announcements, prayer, and service overview in the Explorers Room.
8:45 10:45	CHECK-IN: Welcome kids by name and invite them to join you at an activity.
9:05 11:05	WELCOME & WORSHIP: Join the kids as you sing, dance, and model a heart of worship.
9:15 11:15	DISMISS PRETEENS & BIBLE LESSON: Sit with the kids, engage with them during the lesson, and help them pay attention.
9:35 11:35	KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE: Small groups 2ND GRADE & 3RD GRADE: Craft or game
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9:05 11:05	CHECK-OUT: Clean up the station activities and bring the Check-In activities back out.

SMALL GROUPS

October 4

K-3RD



Elijah vs. the Prophets of Baal 1 Kings 18:16-39

Key Verse: “Do not put any other gods in place of me.”
Exodus 20:3 (NIV)

Big Idea: The Lord is the one and only God, so we can put Him first in our life.

Have the kids sit in a circle around the rug.

Kindergarten: BLUE

1st Grade: GREEN

2nd Grade: YELLOW

3rd Grade: ORANGE

- **Introduce yourself and have kids share their names.**
- **See if the kids know each other's names.**

Hey everybody! I’m so glad you’re here for the start of a fun new series called “The Fab Five”! For the next five weeks, we’re going on a totally true comic book adventure through the Bible. One of the things I love most about comic book heroes is their superpowers.

- **What kind of superpower would you like to have?**

Wow — those are some super-sweet superpowers! The five prophets from “The Fab Five” didn’t have the power to fly or to (insert superpower suggestions from kids), but they had something way better! The prophets in the Bible had the power to see the future.

- **If you could see into the future, what one thing would you want to see or know?**

God would show the prophets what was going to happen and then they would tell the people about it. They would tell people about the bad things that were going to happen if they didn't follow God and they would tell about the Savior who was coming to take away their sins.

Today, we met the first of “The Fab Five” prophets and saw how God’s power helped him stand up to a bunch of fakers and phonies.

- Who can remember his name? **That’s right, Elijah.**

Elijah came up with some pretty funny reasons why Baal might not be sending fire down from heaven.

- Who remembers what some of those reasons were? **(Answers include: too much to think about, on the toilet, away on a trip, and sleeping.)**
- Why do you think Elijah’s prayer was the only one that brought down fire from the sky?
- What does this story teach you about God?
- How does this story help you in your life?

We can learn from the Israelites’ mistake, we shouldn’t put any fake gods in place of the one and only God.

- What are some things that you sometimes put before God or love more than Him?
- What can you do to put God first this coming week?

Have the kids look up the Bible Verse, younger kids may need some help. Read the Bible Verse together.

- **Our Bible verse says** “Do not put any other gods in place of me.” Exodus 20:3 (NIRV)

CRAFT

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ELIJAH VS. THE PROPHETS OF BAAL COMIC

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1st Grade: GREEN

2nd Grade: GREEN

3rd Grade: BLUE

Say: **For the next five weeks, we’re going on a totally true comic book adventure to learn about five fabulous prophets from the Old Testament.**

And here’s the best part — YOU get to draw the comics yourself! (Pause.) I was expecting more applause! Maybe you didn’t hear me — I said, “YOU get to draw the comics yourself!” (Prompt kids in exaggerated applause.) That’s better!

Directions: **Give each kid markers and a copy of the Comic Sheet. Have them write their name on the top. The comic sheet will include panels with background scenery, but the primary drawings are missing. Review the story and have the kids draw the missing pictures.**

(Tell kids to draw a picture of Elijah in panel #1, they can look at panel 2 for ideas of what to draw.) **One day Elijah told King Ahab to gather the people of Israel and the prophets of Baal together on a mountain top.**

(Tell kids to draw a BROWN bull on the altar in panel #2.) **Just as Elijah instructed, the phony prophets put a bull on their altar and began praying out loud to Baal. They prayed from breakfast until lunch time, but guess what happened? Nothing — absolutely nothing!**

(Tell the kids to draw BLUE water all over the bull and the altar and in a ditch in panel #3.) **Then he told the phony prophets to pour water all over the bull. When they finished, the bull was soaking wet. In fact, there was so much water that it filled the ditch.**

(Tell kids to draw ORANGE fire coming down from the sky in panel #3.) **When Elijah prayed to the TRUE GOD, the fire burned up everything: the bull, the wood, the stones, the soil and every drop of water. When the people saw what had happened, they fell to the ground and cried out “The Lord is the one and only God!”**