



Unit Theme: Hearing God's Voice

KING JOSIAH FINDS GOD'S WORD

AUGUST 30TH

WORSHIP

Join the Elementary in the Clubhouse for a time of Worship!

Song # 1: Hindsight!

Song #2: Undefeated!

Song #3: All Eyes on You!

Song # 1: Open the Heavens!

Song #2: Oh Sing!

Song #3: King of My Heart!

AGREEMENTS

Make a verbal agreement together to follow the following guidelines:

#1 - I can LISTEN

#2 - I can LEARN

#3 I can STAY SAFE

#4 I can SHOW RESPECT

#5 I can PARTICIPATE

MISSIONS FOCUS

-**Location:** Dominican Republic ((Find Location on globe)

-**LifePointe Missionaries:** Sandy Poe
(Show photo of Missionary)

-**Offering:** (Explain why we give to God our tithes & Missions Offerings)

-**Pray:** (Ask a child to help you pray over the nation, missionaries, and bless the offering!)

BIBLE VERSE

Today's Verse:

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness," -2 Timothy 3:16 NIV

Show your kids how to find the verse together in the bible. Demonstrate as you search for the Book, Chapter, then Verse. Then, pick a portion of the verse to memorize. Say that part of the verse together and make up motions to go with each key word! Lastly, take time to discuss what Truths they can take away from the verse.

TRUTH

Today's Truth: God Speaks to us through the Bible!

(Say it to the kids & have them repeat after you. Come up with original motions or use ASL & Repeat this Truth all morning long!)

DECLARATIONS

Take time to declare out loud the following Biblical Truths together as a class:

#1 - God is always Speaking!

#2 - I can Hear God's Voice!

#3 - God speaks in many different ways!

#4- God can speak to us to Help Others!

#5- The Bible is God's Word!



BIBLE STORY

Today's Bible Story: King Josiah Finds God's Word! (Utilize Bible Story Pictures as you Read)

Today we are going to be learning about King Josiah. He is found in the Old Testament in 2 Kings 22. His father, King Amon, died when Josiah was only 8 years old. So, Josiah was 8 years old when he became the king of Judah! He was a king for 31 years in Jerusalem. He was faithful to God.

During the 18th year of King Josiah's reign, he told his scribe to go to the temple to prepare for its' rebuilding. When his scribe arrived, the High Priest told him, "I have found the Book of the Law in the house of the LORD." (This was part of the Old Testament Bible we have today!) They took the Word of God to King Josiah. They read it before him.

Once King Josiah heard God's word, he tore his clothes and repented before God because he realized his people had not been obeying His Laws! So the King went to see Huldah the prophetess, (a female messenger for God) and she told King Josiah's men what God has said. Huldah explained that because King Josiah not only listened to God's word, but repented and obeyed it, God would show mercy on the people and protect their city from being destroyed.

King Josiah had everyone gather at the temple. He read the whole Book of the Covenant that had been found in the temple. King Josiah said he would follow the Lord and keep His commandments and God's laws with his whole heart and soul. All the people agreed to follow the Book of the Covenant from God as well. King Josiah had all the shrines, altars, everything that had to do with idols taken down and burned or broken so it couldn't be used ever again. Not just in the temple, but everywhere that he could!

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DISCUSSION TIME

Allow the kids time to ask Discussion questions and reiterate Today's Truth from the Bible Lesson!

REAL LIFE APPLICATION

Share a personal story or testimony of a time when God spoke to you through His Words in the Bible!

PRAYER & MINISTRY TIME

- Prayer for healings (Practice using their authority in Christ to proclaim healing in Jesus' name!)
- Prayers of Encouragement (Practicing sharing God's loving thoughts to one another!)
- Prayer Requests (Give everyone opportunities to share)
- Pray together (Encourage a child to help you pray aloud)

TESTIMONIES / PRAISE REPORTS

Allow the kids time to testify to what God has done! Once they have shared what God did for them, have the rest of the family say together, "DO IT AGAIN GOD, DO IT AGAIN!" Then, ask that child to tell you who God revealed himself to be in that testimony. Give them suggestions, (ie. God is my Provider, Protector, Healer, etc.) Then, ask the rest of the family if they want to experience God in that way too! Then, have that child release that testimony over the rest of the family and pray you all could experience God as our (Provider, Protector, Healer, etc.) as well!

ACTIVITY OPTIONS

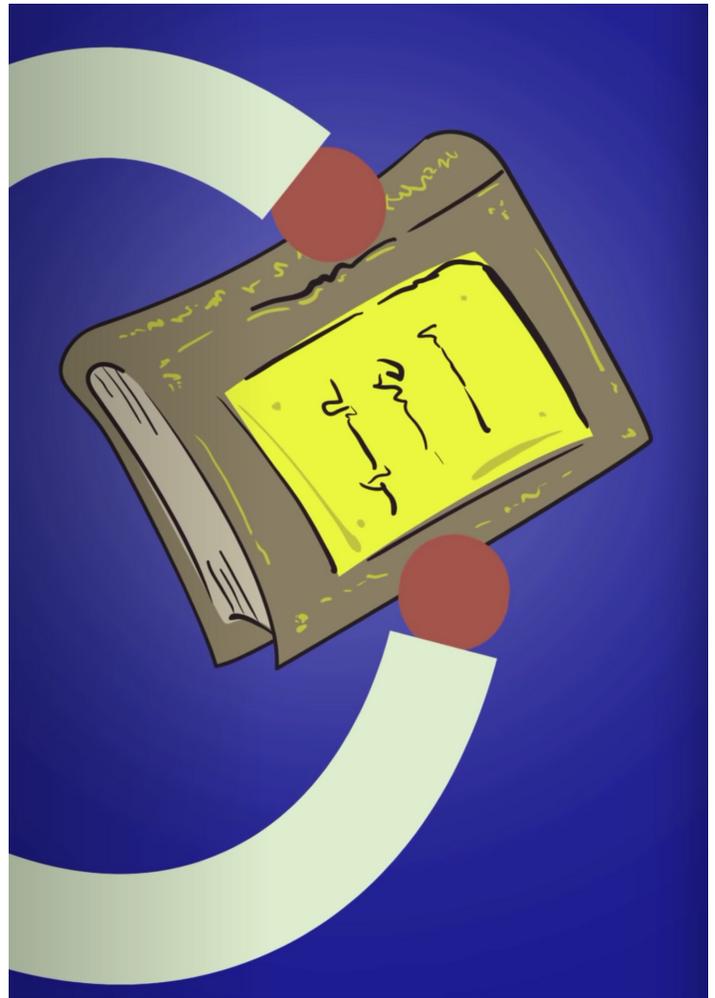
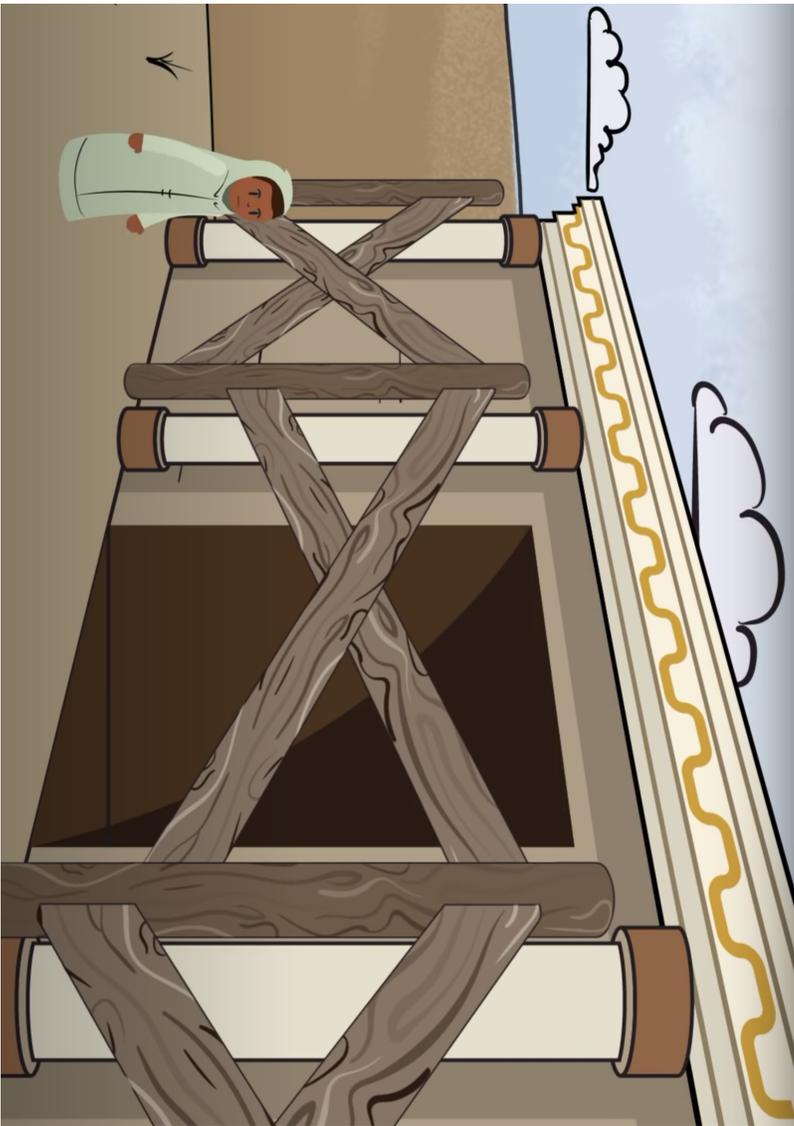
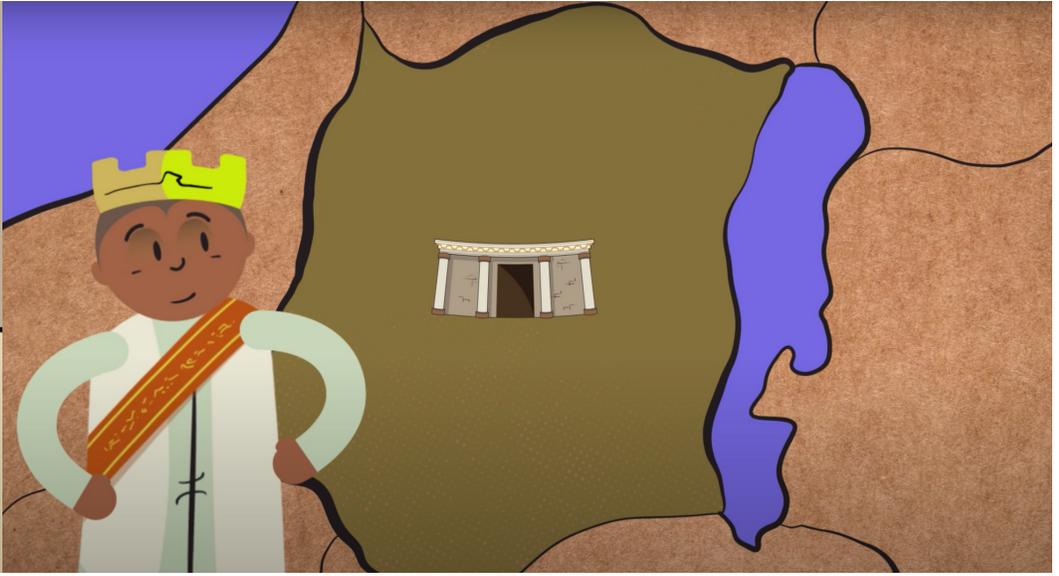
Option #1: LISTENING TO GOD ACTIVITY PAGE and/or COLORING PAGE!

Option #2: BIBLE STORY VIDEO! Watch together and discuss! -<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zbOLxBHhvKA>

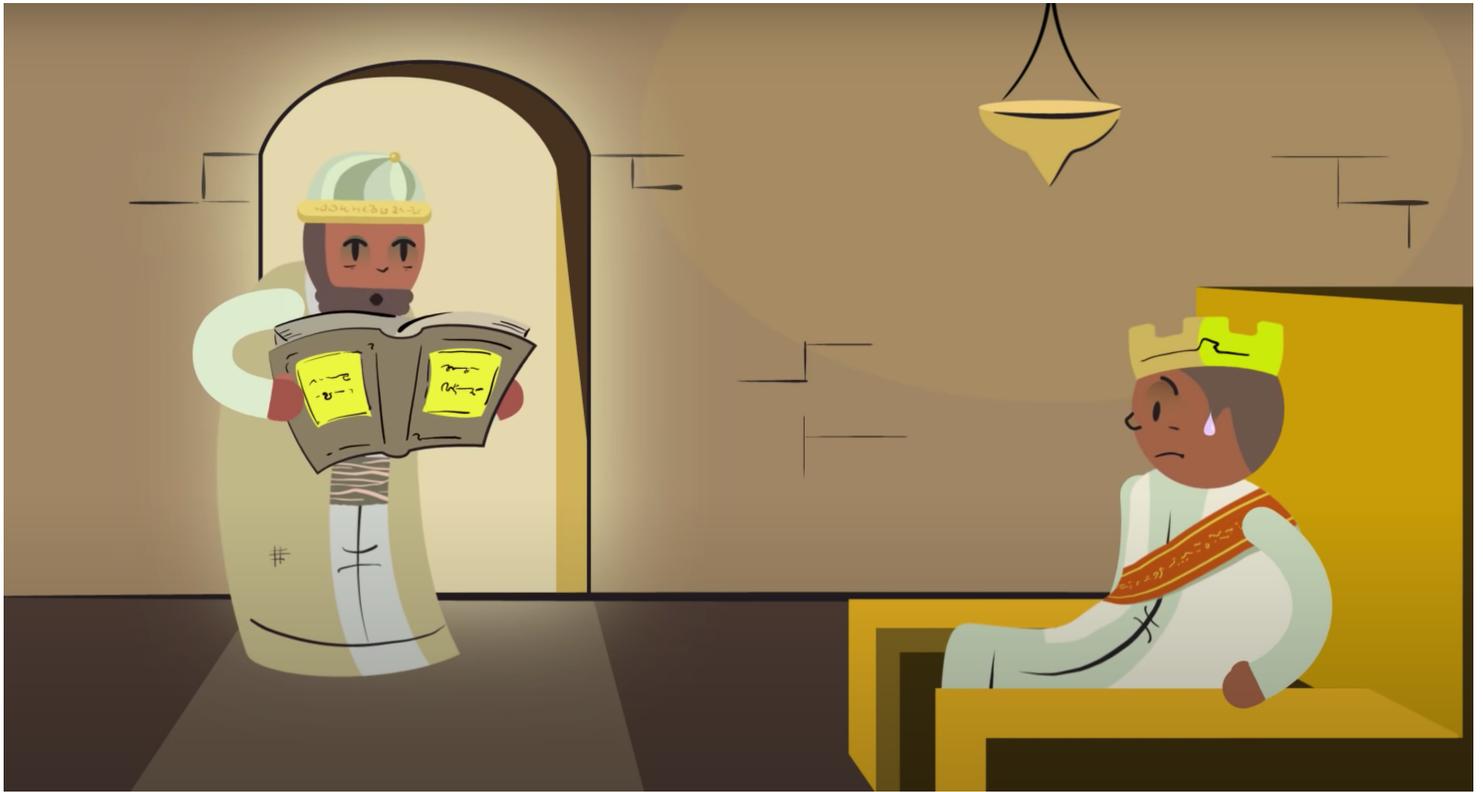
Option #3: FELT BOARD BIBLE STORY! Read the Bible Story & Use the felt board to show visuals!

Option #4: ACT IT OUT! Assign each person a role from today's story and act it out together. Get creative with props!

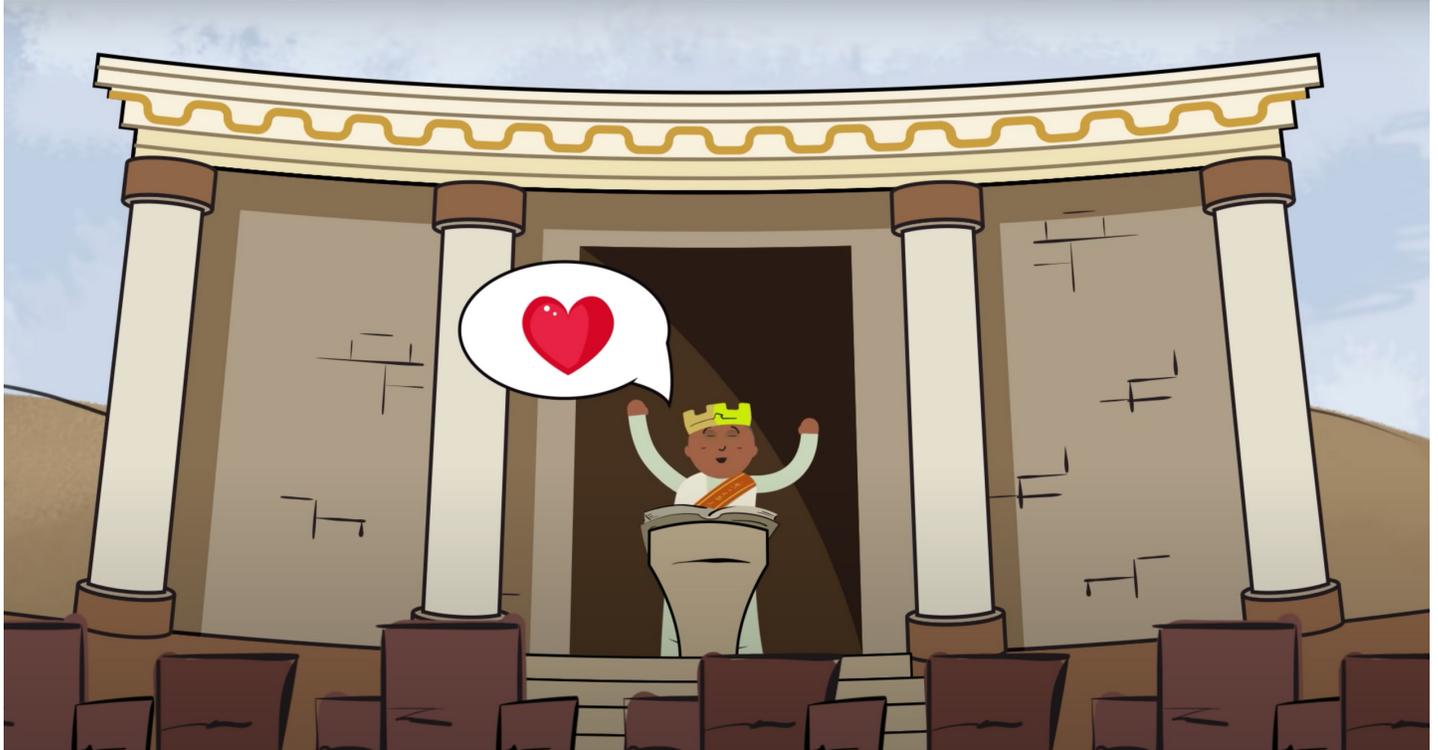
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Discussion Questions!

- Who was Josiah? (Josiah was one of the God-fearing Kings of Israel)
- How old was Josiah when he became the King? (8 Years Old)
- Was Josiah an idol worshiper like his Father, or did Josiah serve the one true God? (Josiah served God)
- What did Josiah want to rebuild for the Lord? (God's Temple)
- What did the Priest show King Josiah's scribe when he arrived at the Lord's Temple? (The Law of God / Old Testament Bible)
- What did King Josiah do when he heard God's word? (He tore his clothes and began to repent, and confess the sins for himself and his people)
- What did the Prophetess Huldah share with the Priest? (That God would show Mercy on the Israelites because King Josiah repented, listened, and obeyed)
- What did King Josiah do at the temple? (He called everyone together and read the entire book of the Law to everyone and promised to obey God)
- What did King Josiah do with all the idols/false gods? (He burned them all)

Take time to pray together and thank God that our bible contains the WORDS OF GOD! And God's Word is LIVING and ACTIVE! Thank Him for the access we have to His Word, and that they remain True! Pray that as we read our bibles this week we would remember to listen and understand what God is trying to teach us!

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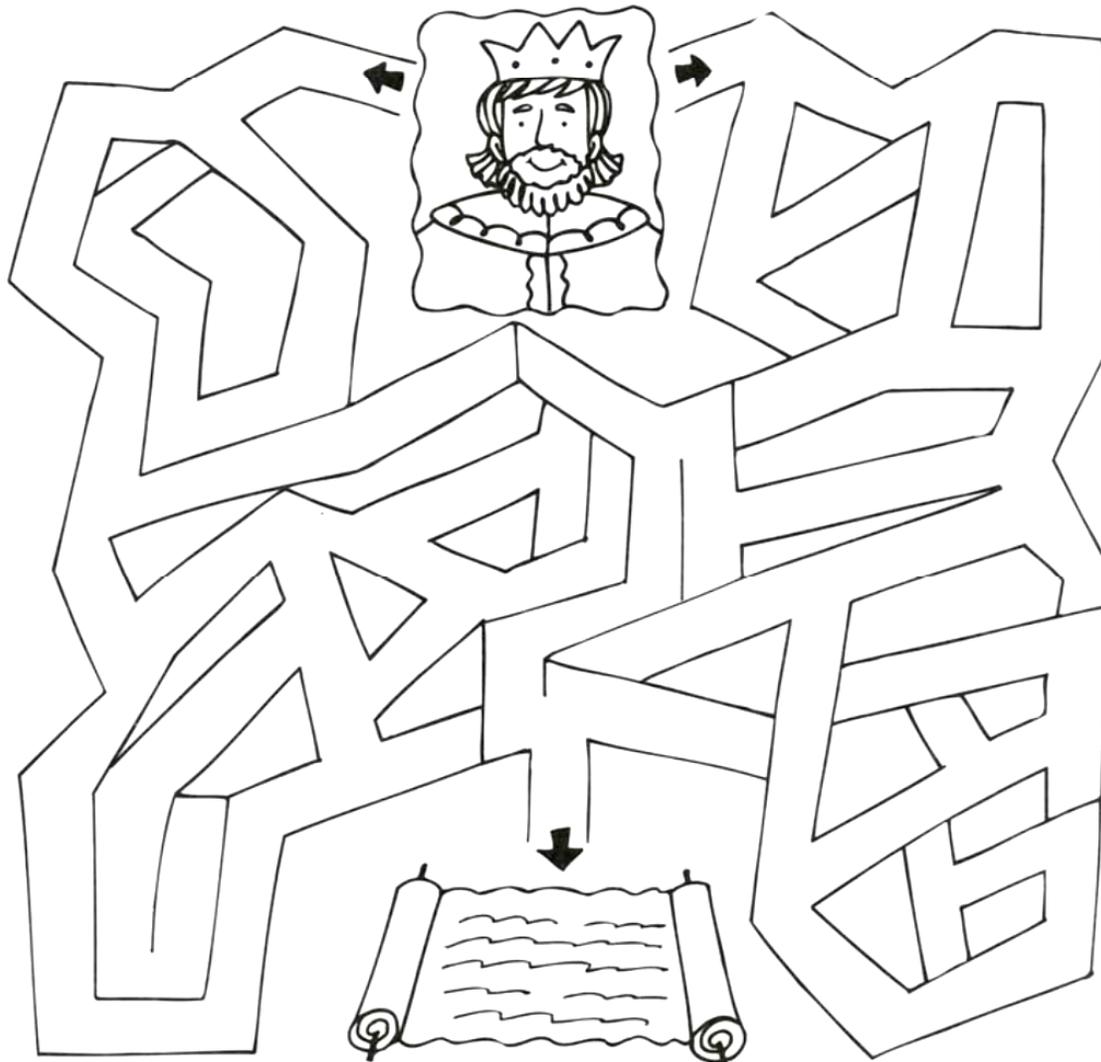
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Ask this child, "What did God show/tell you!" Then, write down their response below.

Josiah was only eight years old when he became the king of Judah. When Josiah became a man, he ordered that the temple be fixed up. While work was being done, a priest found an important scroll.

Help Josiah choose the right path to find the scroll.



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Time to Celebrate!

(2 Kings 23)

To please God, King Josiah burned all the statues of false gods. Then Josiah's kingdom celebrated something special.

Color only the capital letters on the balloons. Then write the letters in order on the blanks to find the answer.

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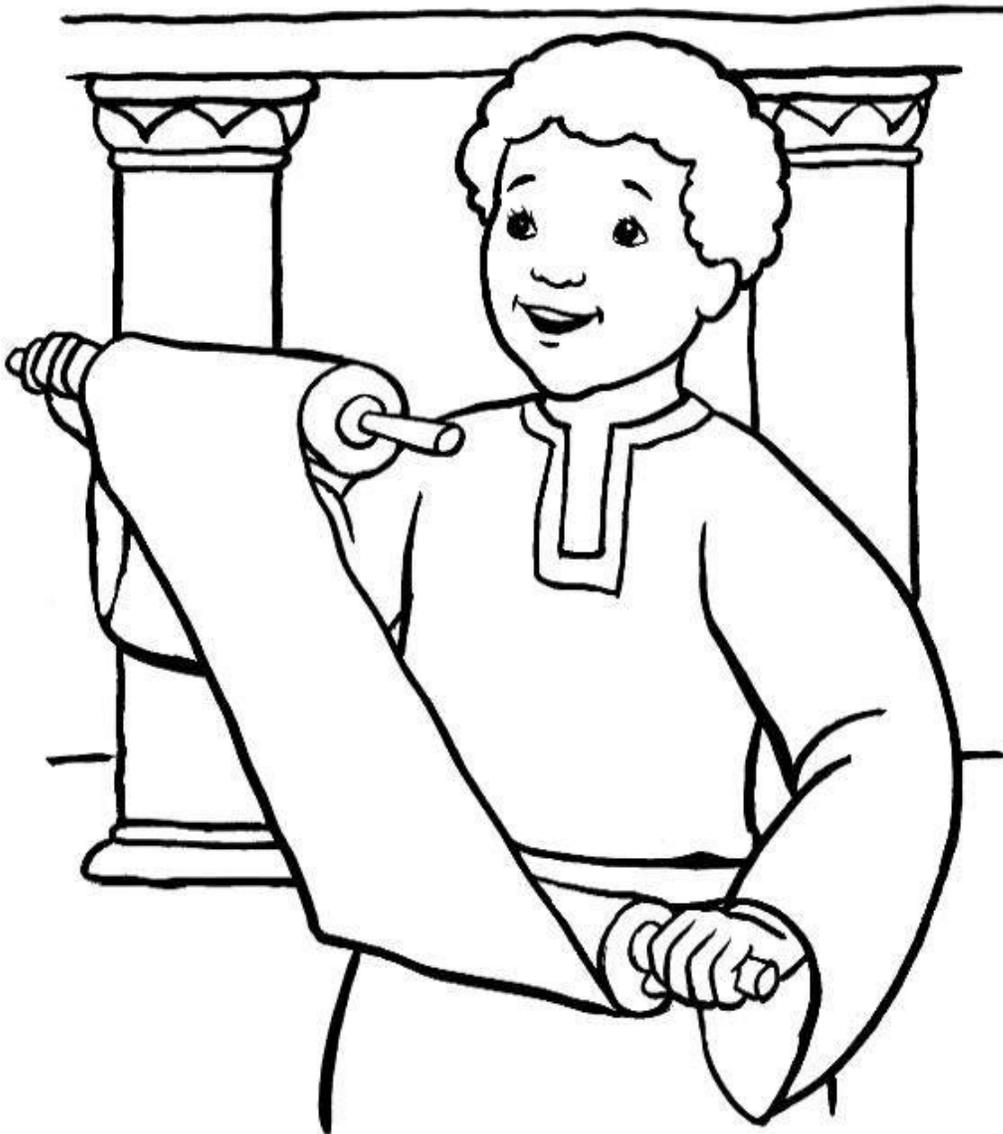
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