



Series Overview: “Unusual” is going to have us look with the kids at the life of David in the Bible, as well as, learn that God does not think the same way we do or act in the same way we do. Just like we do not think or act in the same way as the animals in our world. God sees a bigger picture and understands things we cannot, so He will not always make sense to us. God uses unlikely people, He gives the unexplainable, He does the unexpected, and His love is unchangeable. Now that definitely sounds unusual...and amazing!

Bible Story: God's Promise to David: II Samuel 7:1-14a

Big Idea: God's does unexpected things.

Series Memory Verse: “The Lord says, “Your thoughts are not like my thoughts...”
–Isaiah 55:8a (ICB)

Lesson Guide:

1. Dance and sing with your child to these songs.
 - God Loves Me: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XRJvszcrTLs>
 - Promises: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yY3EogFlkCY>
 - Jesus is My Best Friend: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tER4Jx6LyZk>

2. Show this video to teach the Bible story.

<https://vimeo.com/559969859/bf6d21ca0d>

3. Review the Bible story like this:

***Supplies = Bible**

- Open a Bible to 2 Samuel 11:1-15 to show the kids where today's story comes from.
- (Much of this Bible story is too much for kids, but with your help, they can learn about God's unconditional love).
- David had been a very good king. He treated people well, he made good choices, and all of the people in his kingdom loved him.
- One day, there was trouble with another kingdom. To protect his own kingdom, David decided he needed to send his army into battle. But instead of going with them to the battle, King David stayed in his castle. Safe and sound.
- While his army was off fighting in the battle to protect the kingdom, David got bored. And while he was bored, he was walking around on top of his castle looking out into his kingdom.
- It was then that he saw a woman that wasn't his wife and he wished that she was.
- It was not right for David to wish for someone else's wife and extra not right to decide to marry her and send her real husband away. But David did those things anyway.
- God doesn't like it when we take things that aren't ours because that hurts other people. But if we do, God wants us to tell the truth and make it right!
- David's choices weren't good choices. They were selfish choices that hurt others. Later, David was really sorry about what he had done and God forgave him.
- Even though David did something God really did not like, God's love stayed the same. It always stays the same!

THE BIG IDEA | God's love is unchangeable.

4. Do this Bible Story Review activity.

***Supplies: balloon or ball**

- Show the kids this picture of a sea lion.



- Show the kids the picture of a sea lion and talk a little about sea lions.
- Split the kids into two teams, and give the first kid in each group a balloon.
- Have the kids balance the balloon on their nose and walk to a certain spot and back to their team to pass the balloon to the next kid.
- **Was it easy to balance the balloon on your nose?**
- It would have been easy to just hold it, right? But then we would be breaking the rules of the game.
- Today's Bible story about David shows us that following God's rules is the best way. When we step out and go against His rules it is called sin, and sin hurts us and other's.
- Still when we sin, God's love does not change. He loves us always, and He offers us forgiveness through His son Jesus Christ.

5. Practice the Memory Verse like this.

***Supplies = Bible**

- Look up Isaiah 55:8 in the Bible and read it to your family.
- Help your family learn this shorter version of the verse by teaching them the motions in this video:
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/mlowkxp0hc9y1e1/July2021MemVerseMotions.MOV?dl=0>
- Sit in a circle with your family.
- Hit the balloon up in the air, and work together to keep it in the air.
- Count how many times you guys hit it before it hits the ground.
- Say the memory verse that many times together, and then play again.
- Talk about how God's love is not like our love just like His thoughts are not like our thoughts.
- God's love is unchangeable!

6. Pray with your family.