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Topic: Obededom – Blessed by the presence of God.



Read the Bible References:

The Bible references can be read by different children if possible. Or the teacher can read them.



Goal of Lesson:

- To explain the blessings that come from the presence of God.



Lesson Takeaway:

God's presence brings blessings and prosperity.



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Bible References:

2 Samuel 6:10 –12



Who was Obededom?

The Bible mentions Obededom when King David was trying to bring the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem. Obededom was a Gittite.

His story is very brief and summarized in a few verses. However, there are lessons we can learn from Obededom.



What did Obededom do?

In 2 Samuel 6:10-11, we read about a significant moment involving Obededom. "So David would not move the ark of the LORD with him into the City of David; but David took it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite. The ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite three months. And the LORD blessed Obed-Edom and all his household."

From this passage, we learn several important things about Obededom:

- When King David decided not to take the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem, he left it in the house of Obededom. The Ark represented the presence of God, and this was an important role for Obededom. He did not reject the task of keeping the Ark in his house.





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What did Obbededom do? (Contd.)

- Obbededom kept the Ark of the Covenant in his house for three months. He did not complain or send for David to take the Ark away.
- During the time the Ark was in his house, God blessed the household of Obbededom. The blessings were visible, and people noticed – so much that they reported to King David. “The LORD has blessed the house of Obed-Edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God” (2 Samuel 6:12).



What can we learn from Obbededom?

What can we learn from Obbededom? Obbededom’s story teaches us important lessons about the blessings that come from welcoming God’s presence into our lives:

- Just as Obbededom welcomed the Ark of the Covenant into his house, we should welcome God’s presence into our lives. We can welcome God’s presence through prayer, worship, and living a life that honors Him. We can also open our houses for people to come together, worship God and study the bible together (Acts 2:42; Hebrews 10:25).
- The blessings that Obbededom experienced show us that God’s presence brings prosperity and favor (Psalm 16:11; 21:6). When we invite God into our lives, we can expect His blessings and favor too.
- Obbededom was willing to host and keep the Ark. This shows his faith and trust in God. He accepted an important task and was rewarded with blessings.





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What can we learn from Obededom? (Contd.)

- When we are given the opportunity to serve or do something in the church or for other believers, we should be happy to help instead of complaining (see Romans 12:11).
- When the news of Obededom's blessings reached King David, he decided to bring the Ark to Jerusalem. This shows that our testimonies of God's goodness can inspire and encourage others to do something that they were not able to do before (Psalm 66:16).



Memorize:

Psalm 16:11 – “You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore”.



Scenario Review:

The pastor of your church asked your family to consider hosting a prayer meeting or bible study in your house every Friday evening. Your Mum asked, “Tim, what do you think about having people over for prayers every Friday?” You are usually home on Fridays, but you will be busy watching your favorite TV show at that time. What will you do? Why did you make that choice?



Remember: God's presence brings blessings and prosperity.



Let us pray: Dear God, thank you for the gift of Your presence. Please help me to welcome Your presence into my life just as Obededom did. Teach me to trust in You and to live in a way that honors You. Please send Your blessings and favor on my family and let my life be a testimony of Your goodness. I ask this in Jesus' name, amen!

