

Teaching children stories about Old Testament Heroes and Villains

- **Sample questions to ask yourself and/or your child (pick a few of these):**
 - Who was the rescuer that God sent in this story?
 - What did God rescue his people from with this rescuer?
 - Was there something in this story that people were afraid of?
 - Why was _____ not afraid?
 - What was it about God that made _____ trust Him?
 - How can you tell that _____ trusted in God?
 - Was sin a better boss/king/master or was God? (especially with villains and faults of heroes)
 - What promise did God make in this story?
 - did He keep that promise?
 - What promise does God make to people who trust in Jesus?
 - Did God rescue His people because they were good or because He is good? (He!)
 - What about _____ reminded you of Jesus?
 - what was different than Jesus?
 - Why is Jesus a better rescuer than _____?
 - Do you think that _____ needed Jesus to take his/her sins and punishment?
 - why was what Jesus won for us better than what this rescuer won for God's people?
 - Would you rather get what this guy deserved or what Jesus deserved?
- **Sample differences to point out between Jesus and other Bible heroes:**
 - Jesus' victory for his people was permanent
 - Jesus could change his people's hearts
 - Jesus defeated sin and death
 - Jesus was perfect - he didn't need someone to take his punishment
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