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### Old Testament 8



#### POINTS TO EMPHASIZE:

1. Review [O.T. 8 Bible Facts Flashcards](#) (provided under “O.T. 8 Bible Facts” on curriculum Web site)
2. Use the activities and visuals from the lessons to help review.
3. Use the following questions to review each lesson.

#### Lesson 1: Joash

1. Whom did God choose to get rid of the 22 year old king, Ahaziah? (Jehu)
2. After Ahaziah and his brothers were killed, who wanted to take over the throne of Judah? (Ahaziah’s mother, Athaliah)
3. How did Athaliah try to become queen? (By killing all of her grandchildren, except for Joash)
4. Who saved Joash from his grandmother, Athaliah? (Jehosheba, the half-sister of the deceased Ahaziah)
5. How did Jehosheba save Joash? (She took him and hid him in the Temple for six years, while Athaliah reigned as Queen of Judah.)
6. Who was Jehoiada, and what did he teach Joash? (He was a God-fearing priest and the husband of Jehosheba. He taught Joash about God and his responsibilities as future king of Judah.)
7. How old was Joash when Jehoiada decided to bring him out of hiding? (Seven years old)
8. What were the responsibilities of the three groups of Levites that were followers of Jehoiada and Joash? (One-third were to guard the king’s house; one-third were to guard an important gate of the Temple grounds; and one-third were to guard Joash.)
9. What did the people do when Joash was crowned as king? (They shouted “Long live the king,” and sang and played instruments in their joy.)
10. What happened to Athaliah when she came to see what was causing the commotion? (She was seized and killed.)
11. With Joash as king, and Jehoiada as his advisor, what did the people of Judah begin immediately to do? (They immediately started getting rid of idols and collecting money to repair and restore the Temple. )



## **Lesson 2: Jonah's Mission to Israel's Enemies**

1. Where did God want Jonah to preach? (Nineveh)
2. Nineveh was the capital city of what powerful empire? (Assyria)
3. What reason did Jonah give for not wanting to go to Nineveh to preach? (The Ninevites were the enemies of Israel, and Jonah didn't want them to have the opportunity to repent and be forgiven by God.)
4. To where did Jonah travel instead of Nineveh? (He went in the opposite direction, to Tarshish.)
5. Why did Jonah travel so far away? (He thought he could sail to a place where God could not find him.)
6. How did God remind Jonah that He is everywhere? (God sent a storm and a great wind that would have destroyed the boat that Jonah was on, if he had not told the sailors to throw him into the water.)
7. What did God prepare to swallow Jonah? (A great sea creature)
8. How long did Jonah spend in the belly of the great fish? (Three days)
9. What is one of the lessons that Jonah learned while in the belly of the great fish? (That God wants everyone to be saved; no matter how "evil" they may seem to be.)
10. How many times is God mentioned in the book of Jonah? (38 times)

## **Lesson 3: King Uzziah**

1. Who was Uzziah's father and how long did Uzziah reign as king of Judah? (Amaziah; Fifty-two years)
2. How old was Uzziah when he became king? (16 years old)
3. Why did Uzziah's fame spread to faraway places? (He was a warrior and a builder, and he gained territory among ancient enemies of the Israelites.)
4. What are some of the things that Uzziah added to Jerusalem while he was king? (He added fortifications in and around Jerusalem, and he strengthened the army. He helped to develop agricultural projects and improvements throughout the land.)
5. Why did Uzziah become very powerful? (Because of all of the good that he had done)
6. How long would Uzziah prosper? (As long as he sought the Lord)
7. What happened as Uzziah became stronger and more powerful? (He became prideful and started to drift away from God.)
8. What law did Uzziah break? (He decided to take incense into the Temple, but according to God's law, only priests were allowed to carry incense into the Temple.)
9. What was Uzziah's punishment for this prideful act of disobedience? (He was given the terrible disease, leprosy.)
10. Who had to make the decisions of the king after Uzziah became ill with leprosy? (Uzziah's son, Jotham)

#### **Lesson 4: King Hezekiah Prays for Guidance**

1. How old was Hezekiah when he became king of Judah? (25)
2. What kind of king was Hezekiah? (He was a good king who was devoted to God and abolished idol worship.)
3. What did Hezekiah re-open within the first month of his first year as king of Judah? (The Temple)
4. Why did Hezekiah gather the priests and Levites? (To find out how many of them were still willing to follow God)
5. To whom did Hezekiah send royal decrees? (To all of the people of the Southern Kingdom and to the people left in the Northern Kingdom)
6. Who were overtaking the Northern Kingdom? (The Assyrians)
7. In the 14<sup>th</sup> year of Hezekiah's reign, who invaded the Southern Kingdom (Judah)? (King Sennacherib of Assyria)
8. What did King Sennacherib do to Hezekiah? (He taunted him and told him that his "god" was no better than the idols that his people worshipped. He sent Hezekiah a threatening letter.)
9. What did Hezekiah do when he got the threatening letter from King Sennacherib? (He prayed earnestly for God's guidance and spread the letter out before Him.)
10. What did God do after Hezekiah prayed over the letter from King Sennacherib? (God sent Isaiah to him, promising to deliver and protect Jerusalem. Then, he struck 185,000 Assyrians dead in one night.)
11. What happened to King Sennacherib when he returned to Nineveh? (In disgrace, he was killed by two of his sons.)

#### **Lesson 5: Isaiah Encourages Hezekiah When He is Sick**

1. What did Isaiah tell Hezekiah when he became very sick? (That he would soon die)
2. What else was Hezekiah dealing with when he became very sick? (A threatening invasion by the Assyrians)
3. Did Hezekiah want to die? (No, he had many things left to do for his people and for God.)
4. What did Hezekiah do when he faced troubled times? (He prayed to God.)
5. When Hezekiah prayed to God about his sickness, when did God reply? (Immediately)
6. What did God send Isaiah back to tell Hezekiah? (That he would live for 15 more years)
7. What else did God promise to Hezekiah? (To protect Jerusalem from the Assyrians)
8. For what did Hezekiah ask Isaiah? (A sign that what he was saying was true)
9. Isaiah told Hezekiah that he could choose between what two signs? (The shadow on the sundial to go forward 10 steps or backward 10 steps)
10. Hezekiah chose which sign? (For the sundial to go backward ten steps)
11. Did the sign come to pass? (Yes)

## **Lesson 6: Evil King Manasseh Repents**

1. How long did King Hezekiah reign over Judah? (29 years)
2. What was the name of Hezekiah's son who was born during the last 15 years of his father's life? (Manasseh)
3. How old was Manasseh when he became king of Judah? (12 years old)
4. How long would Manasseh reign as king of Judah? (55 years)
5. What kind of king was Manasseh? (He became the most wicked king in the history of Judah, worse than any king before or after him.)
6. What are some of the evil things that Manasseh did during his reign as king of Judah? (He rebuilt the places that his father had torn down where idols had been worshipped. He built altars for idols and worshipped them. He even built altars in the Temple court. He also practiced witchcraft and sorcery.)
7. How did Manasseh and the people of Judah react when God told them that He was going to allow them to be taken into captivity, like He had the Northern Kingdom? (They ignored God.)
8. What army did God send against Manasseh and Judah? (The Assyrian army)
9. What happened to Manasseh when the Assyrian army invaded? (He was made a prisoner and taken far away.)
10. Who did Manasseh turn to when he was desperate and defeated? (He turned to God, and he asked for forgiveness.)
11. When Manasseh came back to Judah to act as king again, how did he try to correct some of his many mistakes? (He took down the places of idol worship that he had built in Judah, and he tried to bring the people back to God.)

## **Lesson 7: Josiah and the Lost Book**

1. After Manasseh died, who became king of Judah? (Manasseh's son, Amon)
2. What kind of king was Amon? (He was very wicked, worshipping idols and ignoring God's laws.)
3. Who killed King Amon, and who did the people of the land choose as king? (Some of Amon's servants killed him, and the people made his son, Josiah, king of Judah.)
4. How old was Josiah when he became king of Judah, and how long did he reign? (Eight years old; 31 years)
5. What kind of king was Josiah? (He was a very good king because he had a tender heart, and a growing desire to follow God's laws.)
6. What mission did Josiah concentrate on after he rid Judah of its idols? (Restoring the once-glorious Temple in Jerusalem)
7. How old was Josiah when he started restoring the Temple? (26 years old)
8. What did Hilkiyah the priest find during the restoration of the Temple? (A book that was a copy of at least part of the Law of Moses)

9. What did Josiah do when he heard the words of the Book? (He tore his clothes in shame and fear of what might happen to Judah because of its many years of disobedience to God.)
10. To find out what God would do to Judah, what prophetess did Josiah consult, and what did the prophetess tell Josiah? (Huldah; That Judah would be punished for its disobedience, but it would not come during his lifetime because he had been faithful to God)
11. What did Josiah do with the Book of the Law? (He immediately shared the Book with his people. He had it read publically, and then he made a promise that he would always follow the Law.)

### **Lesson 8: Daniel and Three Friends in Babylon**

1. Just as the prophets had foretold, what happened to Palestine? (God allowed the Babylonian army to come into Palestine to punish the Jews for continuing to disobey.)
2. What type of young men did King Nebuchadnezzar tell his chief officer to find to serve in his palace? (Young men who had no blemish, but were good-looking, gifted in all wisdom, possessing knowledge, and quick to understand.)
3. Who were four of the young men that were chosen? (Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah)
4. What name was Daniel given by the Babylonians? (Belteshazzar)
5. What names were Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah given? (Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego)
6. Why did Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego refuse to eat of the “choice” food that was laid out before them? (They did not want to defile themselves under Jewish law by eating food they were commanded not to eat.)
7. What did they eat instead? (They ate vegetables only, and drank water for 10 days.)
8. What did Daniel do in Daniel 1:8? (He purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself.)
9. Because of his willingness to do what was right, God blessed Daniel with what specific ability? (He could understand all kinds of visions and dreams.)

### **Lesson 9: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego Stand Up for God**

1. What were the measurements of Nebuchadnezzar’s giant, golden statue? (It was about 90 feet tall and nine feet wide.)
2. When were the people ordered to bow down to the golden statue? (When they heard certain musical instruments played)
3. What would happen to anyone who refused to fall down and worship the statue? (They would be thrown into a fiery furnace.)
4. Which three men refused to bow down? (Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego)
5. How did Nebuchadnezzar react to the actions of these three men? (He was quick to anger.)
6. The king ordered what to be done next? (The furnace to be heated seven times hotter than normal)

7. After the three men were thrown into the fiery furnace, what did the king hear? (Nothing; no cries of agony or cries for help)
8. What did Nebuchadnezzar see when he looked into the fiery furnace? (Three unbound men walking among the flames and another figure, who was like “a son of the gods”)
9. How did Nebuchadnezzar react when he saw that the men were untouched by the fire? (He was astounded and humbled)
10. What did Nebuchadnezzar call the three men when they came out of the furnace? (“Servants of the Most High God”)

### **Lesson 10: Belshazzar’s Feast**

1. Who was Belshazzar? (The king of the enormous Babylonian Empire)
2. For whom did Belshazzar decide to have a feast? (For a thousand of his nobles, his wives, and his concubines)
3. To show off to his guests, what did Belshazzar bring to the party? (All of the golden vessels that had been taken from the Temple in Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar)
4. What happened in the middle of this wild party? (The fingers of a man’s hand appeared, and began writing on a plaster wall in the room where the guests were gathered.)
5. How did Belshazzar react to what happened? (He was very afraid.)
6. Who did Belshazzar first consult to find out what the hand and strange words meant? (His wise men and magicians)
7. Could the wise men and magicians help Belshazzar? (No)
8. Of whom did the Queen Mother remind Belshazzar? (Daniel, who had helped Nebuchadnezzar)
9. If he could interpret the writing on the wall, what did Belshazzar promise Daniel? (A golden necklace, the clothing of royalty, and the position of being third in command of all the empire)
10. How were the words written on the wall interpreted by Daniel? (He said that it meant that God was about to bring Belshazzar’s kingdom to an end; the king had been judged as unfaithful to the Ultimate Judge; and that the Babylonian empire would be taken over by the Medes and Persians.)
11. What happened later on that same night? (The Medo-Persian army, led by Darius the Mede, conquered Babylon and the Persian army killed Belshazzar.)

### **Lesson 11: Daniel in the Lions’ Den**

1. Why did Daniel do very well at his job? (“Because an excellent spirit was with him,” and he was honest, trustworthy, and he loved God)
2. What was the only thing that the officials who were jealous of Daniel could find that they could use against him? (Being more loyal to God than the king)
3. What did these jealous officials eventually persuade the king to sign? (A new law that prohibited anyone in the entire empire from worshiping anyone or anything, except for

the king, for 30 days)

4. Even though he knew what could happen to him after the law was made, how many times a day did Daniel continue to pray? (Three times a day)
5. Because Daniel had broken the law, what did the jealous officials convince the king to do to him? (Throw him in the lion's den)
6. What did the king tell Daniel before he was thrown in with the lions? ("Your God whom you serve continually, He will deliver you" [Daniel 6:16].)
7. Why did King Darius not sleep or eat that night? (Because he was worried about Daniel)
8. What did King Darius do when he went to the pit the next morning and the stone was removed? (He called to Daniel.)
9. What was Daniel's response to King Darius? (That he had been saved because he was innocent before God, and he was innocent in regard to the law of the king)
10. What happened to the jealous officials that had plotted against Daniel? (King Darius commanded that they be thrown in with the lions in the place of Daniel.)

### **Lesson 12: Esther Saves her People**

1. What was the name of the Persian king that ruled the Southern Kingdom of Judah during the time of Esther? (Ahasuerus)
2. Why did King Ahasuerus decide that Vashti would no longer be his queen? (Because she refused to go to his banquet and parade before a crowd of drunken men)
3. What orders did the king send out to the kingdom? (That the most beautiful young women were to come to his palace)
4. What was the name of the Jewish gatekeeper of the city gates that was raising Esther as his own daughter? (Mordecai)
5. What did Mordecai tell Esther to keep hidden? (The fact that she was a Jew)
6. Who did Ahasuerus choose as his new queen? (Esther)
7. Who was Haman? (A government official that was in charge of much of the king's business)
8. What did Mordecai do that made Haman very angry? (He refused to bow down to him.)
9. What did Haman decide to do to punish Mordecai? (He asked the king to sign a letter to be sent throughout the kingdom, that on a certain day, 12 months later, all of the Jews would be killed.)
10. For what did Esther bravely ask King Ahasuerus at a second banquet with Haman? (For him to save her life and the lives of her people)
11. How did King Ahasuerus react to Esther's request? (He was upset that anyone would plan to harm her. He believed her when she told him that Haman was evil.)
12. What happened to Haman? (The king ordered that Haman be hung on the gallows that Haman had prepared for Mordecai.)

### **Lesson 13: Ezra Teaches God's Law**

1. During the time that Judah was in Babylonian captivity, who was the powerful king of Persia who had taken over the Babylonian empire? (Cyrus)
2. How many Jews were in the first group that decided to return to Jerusalem under the leadership of Zerubbabel? (42,360)
3. What did Ezra want to do after he was given permission to return to Jerusalem? (He wanted to go and teach the Jews God's Law again because he had heard that his people were living like pagans.)
4. What did King Artaxerxes give to Ezra? (Gold and silver, salt, grain and oil, wine, and garments for the priests who agreed to go)
5. What did the king say would happen to anyone who refused to listen to Ezra's teachings? (They would be severely punished.)
6. How many Jewish men and how many priests did Ezra take back to Jerusalem with him? (1,500 Jewish men and 250 priests)
7. How many days did they camp by the river? (Three days)
8. What did Ezra do when he saw the terrible condition of Jerusalem, and the spiritual condition of the Jews? (He tore his clothes, pulled his hair, and spent all day praying and weeping.)
9. What did many of the Jewish men promise to do once they realized what they had done? (They promised to put away their foreign women and children.)
10. What did Ezra do to help the Jews to change their ways? (He taught them God's Word and what it meant.)

### **Bonus Lesson: Nehemiah**

1. What kind of servant was Nehemiah? (A cup bearer)
2. What news did Nehemiah's brother bring him from Jerusalem? (That the city was in ruins, and that the gates of the city had not been repaired)
3. While Nehemiah was feeling sad and disappointed about the condition of Jerusalem, what did he do? (He cried, fasted, and prayed.)
4. Who noticed that Nehemiah was upset and asked him what was wrong? (King Artaxerxes)
5. What did the king do to help Nehemiah? (He gave him permission to go to Jerusalem to help rebuild the city, gave him important papers to prove that he was traveling under the king's protection, wrote a letter ordering that lumber and supplies be provided for him to use in Jerusalem, and sent soldiers and horsemen to help him.)
6. After they arrived in Jerusalem, how long did Nehemiah and the soldiers rest? (Three days)
7. Who came to Jerusalem to make fun of Nehemiah and the other Jews that were working to rebuild the city? (Sanballat, the governor of Samaria)
8. How long did it take the Jews to rebuild the city of Jerusalem? (52 days)
9. To Whom did Nehemiah and the other Jews give the credit for their ability to finish



rebuilding Jerusalem in such a short amount of time? (God)

10. How long was Nehemiah governor of Jerusalem before he returned to King Artaxerxes? (12 years)