

**BIG IDEA:** My Faith Grows Deeper When I Share My Story.

**BIBLE LESSON:** Jonah – Jonah and the Whale

**GAME:** Everyday, before the new lesson, there will be a review of the previous lesson. Be sure to pay attention!

**CRAFT:** Big Fish Swallowed Jonah

**Materials:**

- Styrofoam or Plastic Cup
- Scissors
- Dark Blue Construction Paper
- String
- Whale Tale Cut Out  
(Find the Tail Cut-out on the church website)
- Small Balloon (water balloon)
- Flour
- Funnel or piece of paper
- Black Sharpie
- 2 White or 2 Blue Pipe cleaners
- Tape
- Glue (preferably stick)
- Pen



**Instructions:**

**IF USING CEREAL BOXES, START HERE:**

1. Poke a hole into the bottom of the cup.
2. Cut a piece of string about 1 arm length.
3. Thread the string through the hole and tie the string to itself. (Basically, you will have the string tied and wrapped around one side of the cup.)
4. Using a glue stick to secure the construction paper to the cup, wrap the blue construction paper around the entire Cup.
5. Cut off the extra construction paper from the top (opening) of the cup.

6. Tape or glue the edges of the construction paper to the rim of the cup.
7. Draw eyes onto the front sides of your blue cup. Or if you have some around, glue googly eyes to the side of the cups.
8. Print and cut out the whale tail printable from the church website.
9. Bend about 1/3 of the narrow part of the tail and crease firmly.
10. Flip the tail over, then repeat step 9.
11. Glue the creased part of the tail onto the bottom of the cup. Be sure to cover the hole that was created for the string.
12. Use the Black sharpie to draw eyes onto the sides of the whale near the mouth (opening).
13. Fill a small (water balloon size works best) balloon with flour – Do not overfill. Just enough to add some weight – and tie it off.
14. Draw a stick person on the balloon with a Black Sharpie.
15. Tie your Jonah balloon to the end of the string.

Now you are ready to play your Jonah and the whale toss game!

**EVANGELISM TIP:** Rocks, Dirt, and GOD!

**Ingredients:**

- Tuna Salad (See last page for recipe)
- 2 Pieces of Bread
- Heart shaped cookie cutter or heart shaped print out from church web site.
- Gummy Bears
- Butter Knife

1. Prepare Tuna Salad. Place in refrigerator for later use, if necessary.)
2. Use the heart-shaped cookie cutter to cut 2 pieces of heart-shaped bread.

**If using the heart template**, print and cut out the heart template from the website. (*Parental help may be needed.*) Place the heart in the center of the pieces of bread. Use the butter knife to cut around the heart.

3. Use the butter knife to spread Tuna Salad onto one (1) piece of bread.
4. Hide a gummy bear somewhere inside the Tuna Salad on the bread.
5. Place the other piece of bread on top of the tuna salad bread.

This is an excellent way to remember and re-tell the story of Jonah and the Whale. Add some goldfish that may have been left over from days 1 and 2, on the side and TAH-DAAAHH, you have an easy meal! Have your children make this as a snack and allow them to tell share it with others!