

Elijah and the Ravens (I Kings 17)

This is a sample lesson plan. There are, of course, lots of different ways to teach the littlest ones. This is offered to help those who may be willing to teach them but are unfamiliar young children today.

Go over the lesson plan with the children at the beginning of your session. Using a “re-bus” lesson plan, pre-readers can tell what to expect during Sunday School. If they get out of their seats or do something out of sequence, point them to the lesson plan. This helps them to “self-regulate” rather than have the teacher always trying to do it.

!. A review of basic lessons is a good idea when the children are fresh. Today we will review the 23rd Psalm using the memory cards

If each child has his own set of cards, he could place a sticker on the card when he can say it without prompting. I cut off the decorative “stickers” that come in the mail on my “free” return address labels.

Look for the themes that tell about God taking care of us. How many ways can you find?

2. Write the letters with a variety of media and discuss what words start with them. Elijah, Elisha, eternal, enough, earth, ravens, run, really ready, etc. Find the letters in **I Kings 17** in the **Bible**.

3. Tell them the story of Elijah being feed by the ravens while they work on the coloring page. You may want to continue the story with the further examples of God caring for His children in the rest of chapter 17. What are some ways that God takes care of us? Do we have to know ahead of time how God is going to work things out?

4. Have the children retell the story using props.

Thread spools, finger puppets, lego men, boardgame markers or ? all have the potential to become Bible characters when embellished by a child’s imagination.

A cut-out for the birds is provided.

5. Stand to sing along with a tape or cd.

6. Snuggle up on the floor pillows to share a Bible storybook of the children’s choice.

1.  review

23rd P^{salm}  using cards

 sitting in chairs

2. "E" "R"
write letters

 with pencil and chalk

 sitting in chairs

3. ?
listen to story of Elijah and the ravens



 while coloring page

 sitting in chairs

4.  students retell story

 using markers and birds

 sitting in chairs

5.  sing along with tape or cd

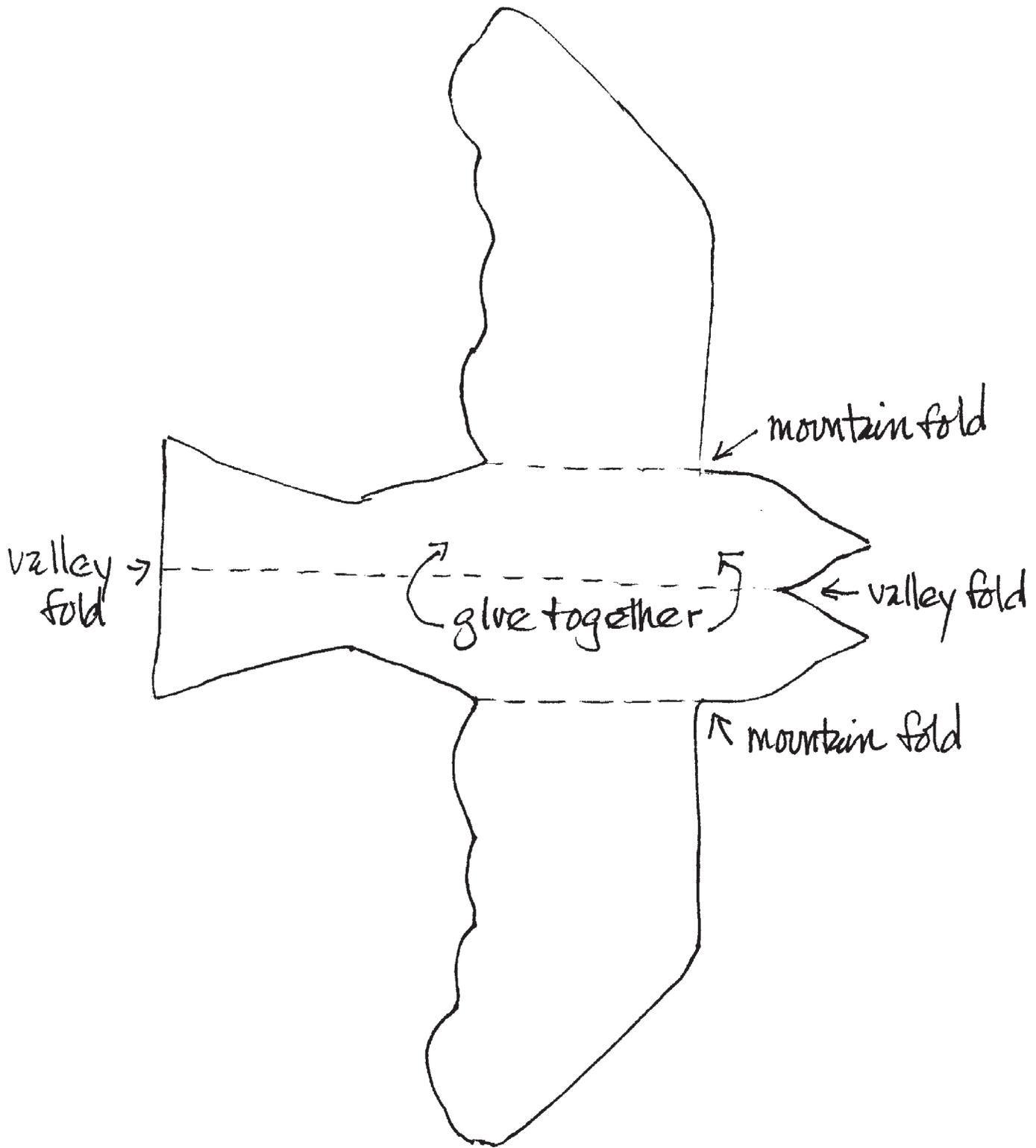
 standing

6.  read together a student choice Bible story

 sitting on pillows



Coloring Page



- these work well cut from black construction paper, if you have it
- they can be used as is
- fancy option: add googly eyes, suspend from string or fishing line - tie onto a "take-out" chop stick