

**Lesson #2-9****FIRE FROM HEAVEN**

1 Kings 18:[17-19] 20-39

**Key Verse:**

When all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, “The Lord indeed is God; the Lord indeed is God.”

1 Kings 18:39

The Point:

A good leader leads us back to God.

Unit Theme (October 22—November 5)

God’s Way of Leading

OPENING PRAYER

Lord God, you are the one true God. There are always things competing for our time and attention. We say that they are not gods to us, but often they become as important as gods. Many things in our lives get in the way of our worship of you. Speak to us and through us, as we seek to choose you over the distractions that surround us. Help us to take this time now to fully worship in your presence. Amen.

CONFESSION

God, there are so many wonderful things in the world! We know they should not take such a large place in our lives, but sometimes they do. They become so important that we forget what is truly important: our relationship with you and with one another. For that, we ask forgiveness. We name before you those things that we prioritize over our relationship with you... *(Pause for worshippers to name their distractions silently or out loud).*

God, live in our hearts. Tear down the idols that we worship, and replace them with your love. In your mercy we pray. Amen.