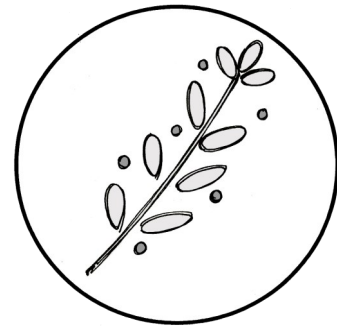


Lesson #2-13

A RIGHTEOUS BRANCH

Jeremiah 33:[10-11] 14-18



Key Verse:

In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

Jeremiah 33:15

The Point:

God will send the Messiah to bring about God's kingdom on earth.

Unit Theme (December 3—December 25)

Promises Made, Promises Kept

CONNECTED

We are all connected.

You will need:

- † Skein or ball of yarn

Instructions:

1. **We are all connected of Jesus. Jesus is the branch, and we are the leaves. Because we are all connected, it is even more important that we learn to live lives of peace and justice together. Let's take another look at how we are all connected.**
2. Give one participant a ball of yarn. **We are going to gently toss this ball around our group until we are all connected. When you get the ball of yarn, hang on to a piece of it and then toss it to someone else in the circle. Before you throw it to someone, make sure to say their name so that they know the ball**
3. **is coming. Talking to one another is an important part of working together!**
3. **Now that we are all connected, we are going to try and do a couple of simple tasks together. First, let's all move this direction** (choose a direction and move the group across the room).
4. **Now, let's see if we can all sit down without letting go of the yarn.** Once the group has accomplished this, have them stand back up while still holding the yarn.
5. **We are all connected to and through Jesus. What happens to one of us happens to all of us. It is important that we take care of each other.**