



## **For Preschoolers and Toddlers**

**Monthly Image:** Scepter

**ECE: God is in Control.**

**Memory Verse:** “What is impossible with man is possible with God.” – Luke 18:27

**Bible Story Focus:** Jesus brings Lazarus Back to Life - John 11:1-44

### **Lesson Overview:**

In this lesson, kids will hear of Jesus bringing Lazarus back to life. This story will help kids see that Jesus has power over death. He is in control of all things. This lesson will also build the foundation for next month’s lessons when we look at Jesus’s death and resurrection.

### **Pre-Video Discussion:**

Have you ever seen something that surprised you? Something totally unexpected? Tell me about it!

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### **I Wonder Questions (Post-Video):**

I wonder...

Did Jesus go to Lazarus right away when He heard Lazarus was sick?

\* No! Jesus waited for two days before going to Lazarus.

What happened while Jesus was waiting?

\*While Jesus was waiting, Lazarus died.

Was Jesus in control when Lazarus died?

\*Yes! Jesus was in control., He even brought Lazarus back to life!

### **Early Childhood Family Activity Idea:**

Go on a walk around your neighborhood and look for plants or bugs that are dead and alive. Remind your children that Jesus has power over everything, even death. **God is in control!**

## For Elementary



### **Lesson Overview:**

After a short teaching video, children will watch “Torchlighters-Heroes of Faith: Gladys Aylward,” to see how God uses ordinary people to accomplish his purposes. While living in China as a missionary, Gladys must evacuate one hundred children to safety a hundred miles away. Children will learn the ways that Gladys put her faith to work to help further God’s kingdom.

### **Key Verse:**

“How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, ‘Your God reigns!’”  
Isaiah 52:7

**Teaching Video Link:** <https://vimeo.com/400419591>

### **Curriculum Video Link:**

- The “Torchlighters-Heroes of Faith-Gladys Aylward” on Amazon Prime  
[https://www.amazon.com/gp/video/detail/B07JYLBKFM/ref=atv\\_dp\\_share\\_cu\\_r](https://www.amazon.com/gp/video/detail/B07JYLBKFM/ref=atv_dp_share_cu_r)
- The “Torchlighters-Heros of Faith: Gladys Aylward” on YouTube  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MBe2tFqtDmY&list=PLjkHgTWQYjt4EJ84Q86izCusK-oBvJbpM&index=2&t=676s>

### **Post-Video Discussion:**

- What barriers did Gladys Aylward encounter in her journey to become a missionary?

- In the video, how did you see Gladys questioning whether God would see them through? How did God answer their need?
- Can you think of a time when you had trouble trusting God?

**Independent Activity for Kids:**

Children can visit the Torchlighter website where they'll find an online quiz about the video, coloring sheets, and a student packet that can be printed off. To access the site click [here](#).