

**K-5th Grade**  
**Judah Taken Captive**  
*Discussion Questions*

**BIBLE PASSAGE:** 2 Chronicles 36

**STORY POINT:** Judah ignored God's prophets and was captured.

**MEMORY VERSE:** 2 Chronicles 7:14

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:** How did God plan to fix what sin broke? Before He created the world, God planned to send the Messiah to save sinners.

**K - 5TH GRADE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

Distribute a Bible to each kid. Help kids find 2 Chronicles 36. Discuss the Bible division 2 Chronicles is in (Old Testament History) and challenge the kids to name other books in the same division (Joshua–Esther). Then remind the kids that we use Bible divisions to help us organize the information in the Bible so that we can learn about God and understand what His Word teaches. Teach kids that God's Word is the source of wisdom and truth. **Ask the following questions. Lead the group to discuss:**

1. Who were the last four kings of Judah? (Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, and Zedekiah; 2 Chron. 36)
2. How did God's people treat His messengers and prophets? (hated them and ignored them, 2 Chron. 36:16)
3. How were God's people punished? (Jerusalem was destroyed and her people taken captive, 2 Chron. 36:17-20)
4. How does God punish sin? Lead kids to discuss the two ways sin will be punished. For those who believe in Jesus, their sin was punished through Jesus' death on the cross. Help kids see that believers will not face punishment for sin. On the other hand, those who reject Jesus will face punishment for their sin. Help kids see that God's loving justice means all sin must be punished, but God's mercy and grace provides the way for us to avoid bearing that weight.
5. What happens when believers sin? Help kids understand that believers cannot lose their salvation. Guide them to see that believers will be guided by the Holy Spirit, who will help them love and obey God. Remind them that sin still has consequences and will damage our relationships with God and other people.
6. When will believers be completely free from all sin? Help kids see that, though we are free from the punishment of sin, we still live in a world broken by sin. When Jesus returns, He will fix all that is broken and will restore it. He will destroy all evil.

**SAY** •Judah ignored God's prophets and was captured. When we trust in Jesus, we are freed from sin. Everyone who rejects Jesus remains captive to sin.

**Journal and prayer**

Give a sheet of paper to each child. Ask the kids to write about or draw a picture to answer the following questions:

What does this story teach me about God or about the gospel?

What does this story teach me about myself? Whom can I tell about this story?