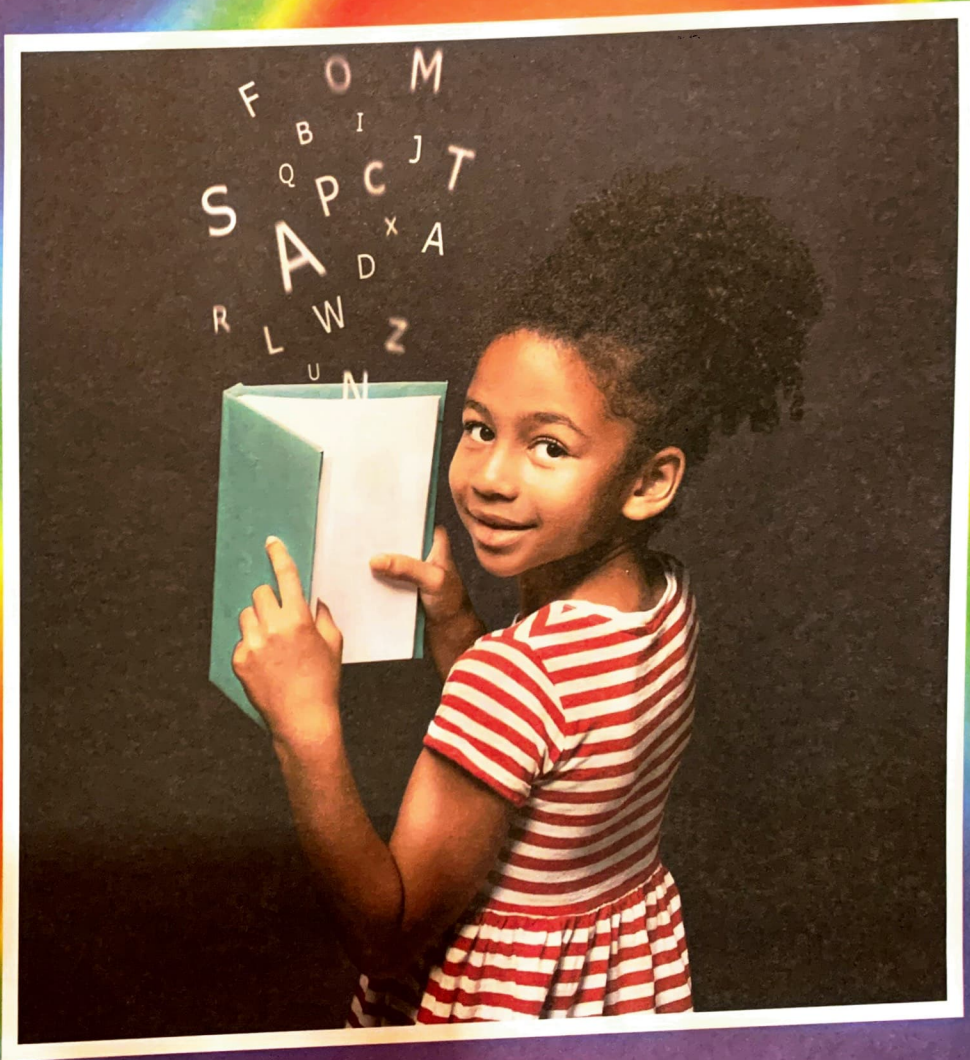


# Difficult and Dangerous Words



Lesson 11  
May 16, 2021  
Jeremiah 38:14-23



**get excited!** (5 minutes)

Watch the video about Jeremiah.

## key verse exercise.

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- Teachers go to [cedamezion.org](https://cedamezion.org)
- Click on **Resources**
- Look for **Beginner/Primary Teachers Guides**.
- Visit <https://www.kahoot.com/>
- Do the **Lesson 11 Key Verse Kahoot activity**.

## Scripture Summary Jeremiah 38:14-23

Officials told King Zedekiah that Jeremiah should be killed because his message about Judah's destruction if the Israelites did not surrender to the Babylonians made the soldiers afraid to go to battle. Zedekiah allowed the officials to do what they wanted with Jeremiah so they put him in a well that had no water and left him there to starve. But an Ethiopian official in the royal palace told Zedekiah about the injustice done to Jeremiah and was given permission to rescue him. When King Zedekiah asked Jeremiah again about what the Lord told him, he promised not to kill Jeremiah or hand him over to anyone else to be killed as long as Jeremiah did not tell anyone about their conversation. Jeremiah told the Zedekiah if he did not surrender to the Babylonians, he would be captured and the city would be burned down.

## Verse to Remember

Obey the voice of the LORD in what I say to you, and it shall go well with you.

Jeremiah 38:20

Instructions and answers can be found in the Teacher's Guide at [cedamezion.com](https://cedamezion.com). Click on the "resources" tab, then click CSL, then click the appropriate Quarterly.

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**read and learn!** (10 minutes)

# ADVENTURES OF THE FAITHFUL FIVE

## EPISODE 11: THE DIFFICULT CONVERSATION

Tori and Aaliyah noticed how one of their classmates, Kiara, had been **withdrawn** from others since they returned to in-person learning at school. The Holy Spirit was urging Tori to reach out to Kiara so she invited her to Church School. They could tell Kiara appreciated the invitation but she was a little hesitant about coming. "It's really nice of you to invite me, but I don't have anything nice to wear," she said.

Tori responded, "You just need to wear clothes, not anything special."

"That's right," Aaliyah added. "And we know you have clothes because we see you wear them every day." All three girls smiled and agreed to meet each other in the foyer at church on Sunday so they could walk into the Church School class together. When the girls walked met each on Sunday, Kiara burst into tears. "What's wrong?" Tori asked.

Kiara did he best to explain as she continued to sob. "I feel embarrassed to go in the classroom because I had to wear dirty clothes. The COVID-19 pandemic caused a lot of stress on my family. My mother has been so depressed she barely gets out of bed. She lost her job so we've had to go without some meals and she hasn't had the money to wash our clothes. My shoes are too small but I don't want to tell my mother because things are already hard and I don't want to stress her out even more."

Tori and Aaliyah wanted to support Kiara so they suggested she talk to their Church School teacher.

"Kiara, I know this is a difficult conversation to have with someone you don't know, but Ms. Thomas is a trusted adult and this is a **safe space**," Tori said. "She will know what to do to help you and your family. There's no need to feel embarrassed. Any family can go through a hard time. But you have to be brave and speak up so your situation doesn't become worse. Don't be afraid to tell the truth."

Kiara listened to her new friends and talked to Ms. Thomas after the Church School class. The church was able to help and things got better for Kiara and her family.

### key words

#### **withdrawn**

not wanting to communicate with other people

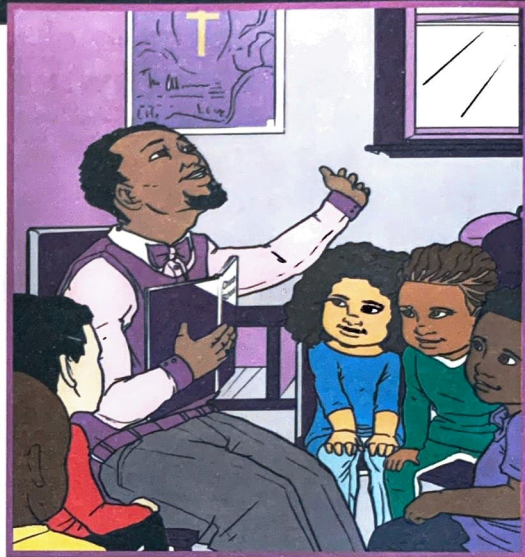
#### **safe space**

an environment where a person can freely express themselves without fear of negative judgement





rise up! (30 minutes)



It's time to work with the Faithful Five on this week's Superhero Challenge: "A LITANY FOR TRUTH." Help the Faithful Five create a litany about accepting God's truth.

## what do you think?

Why was Jeremiah put in a waterless well?

Did Jeremiah still tell the truth after he was rescued?

Do you always feel brave enough to tell the truth?

## time to create

Make a bravery badge.

## time to pray

Dear God, we need your help to be brave when it's time to have difficult conversations. Continue to inspire us to tell the truth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.