## FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

God Hears And Answers Prayers Jeremiah 33:10-16

Lesson Focus: God hears and answers our prayers

Materials: Two paper cups and string to form a "telephone;" (the longer the string the better), a cell phone

Scripture: Jeremiah 33:3

Most of you have a cell phone; if you don't, your mom or dad does. Ask yourself what it is used for. Remember that sometimes we turn our cell phones off or don't answer. When that happens, your friends can leave a message if they want and that you will try and call them back when you can.

Today I want you to try another kind of telephone. Get yourself two paper cups and a long piece of string (7-8 feet long anyway) Put a small hole in the bottom of each cup and push the string through the hole. Tie it inside, perhaps to a paper clip. Stretch out the string tightly as far as it goes. Talk into the phone and say a few things to each other. How well can you hear each other. Would you like to use this as your means for talking with friends? Is it better than a phone?

You can't really hear that well on a homemade phone and that when you call a cell phone sometimes people don't always answer when you need them to. Thankfully, this is not the case with God.

When we call God - through our prayers or sometimes by just speaking His name out loud – He always hears us loud and clear. God also never asks us to just leave a message. He always answers. Always. God has a phone number: 33:3. That's easy to remember!

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