



INTO THE UNKNOWN KIDS' BIBLE STUDY

In the movie **Frozen 2**, Queen Elsa is “haunted” by a mysterious voice. Voices can be varied and powerful, and Elsa’s conflict with the voice in one of her big songs, *Into the Unknown*, has echoes of arguably scriptural themes and questions – the most basic of which being: Does God have a voice? How do we hear God’s voice?

As our kids work on this song together and prepare to share it with the congregation later in the year, I’d like to invite parents to partner with me to help our kids explore and discuss the biblical themes found in this popular, catchy tune!

-Kory Wilcox, Campbell Kids Music

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INTO THE UNKNOWN | SONG LYRICS/REFERENCE

Into the unknown
Into the unknown
Into the unknown...
(Ahhhhhh)

I can hear you but I won't
Some look for trouble
while others don't
There's a thousand reasons
I should go about my day
And ignore your whispers
which I wish would go away, oh

You're not a voice,
you're just a ringing in my ear
And if I heard you, which I don't,
I'm spoken for I fear
Everyone I've ever loved
is here within these walls
I'm sorry, secret siren,
but I'm blocking out your calls
I've had my adventure,
I don't need something new
I'm afraid of what I'm risking
if I follow you...

Into the unknown
Into the unknown
Into the unknown
(Ahhhhhh)

What do you want?
'Cause you've been
keeping me awake
Are you here to distract me
so I make a big mistake?
Or are you someone out there
who's a little bit like me?
Who knows deep down
I'm not where I'm meant to be?
Every day's a little harder
as I feel your power grow
Don't you know there's part of me
that longs to go...

Into the unknown?
Into the unknown
Into the unknown
(Ahhhhhh)

Are you out there?
Do you know me?
Can you feel me?
Can you show me?

(Ahhhhhh) (Oooooohh)

Where are you going?
Don't leave me alone
How do I follow you...
Into the unknown?

INTO THE UNKNOWN | WEEK 6 PASSAGE 1

"Where are you going? Don't leave me alone! How do I follow you... into the unknown?"

This week, we're going to look at two passages. First, we're going to visit a Psalm in the Old Testament. Then, we'll listen to a conversation between Jesus and his disciples in John's Gospel in the New Testament. **Listen for what the Psalmist and the Disciples desire – what is it that they want most?**

Psalm 27:7-9 The Voice (VOICE)

⁷*I cannot shout any louder.* Eternal One—hear my cry
and respond with Your grace.

⁸The prodding of my heart leads me to **chase after You.**

I am seeking You, Eternal One—*don't retreat from me.*

⁹*You have always answered my call.*

Don't hide from me now.

Don't give up on me in anger at Your servant.

You have always been there for me.

Don't throw me to the side and forget me,
my God and only salvation.

INTO THE UNKNOWN | WEEK 6 PASSAGE 2

"Where are you going? Don't leave me alone! How do I follow you... into the unknown?"

John 14:1-11 The Voice (VOICE)

Jesus: Don't get lost in despair; believe in God, and keep on believing in Me. ²My Father's home is designed to accommodate all of you. If there were not room for everyone, I would have told you that. I am going to make arrangements for your arrival. ³I will be there to greet you personally and welcome you home, where we will be together. ⁴You know where I am going and how to get there.

Thomas: ⁵Lord, **we don't know where You are going, so how can we know the path?**

Jesus: ⁶I am the path, the truth, and the *energy of* life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. ⁷If you know Me, you know the Father. Rest assured now; you know Him and have seen Him.

Philip: ⁸Lord, all I am asking is that You show us the Father.

Jesus (to Philip): ⁹I have lived with you all this time, and you still don't know who I am? If you have seen Me, you have seen the Father. How can you keep asking to see the Father? ¹⁰Don't you believe Me when I say I abide in the Father and the Father dwells in Me? I'm not making this up as I go along. The Father has given Me these truths that I have been speaking to you, and He empowers all My actions. ¹¹Accept these truths: I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me. If you have trouble believing based on My words, believe because of the things I have done.

INTO THE UNKNOWN | WEEK 6 QUESTIONS

Here are some follow-up questions you can discuss with your kids. (If you want to write down your answers, that's great! When Connect starts meeting again, I'll be giving out some treats when kids bring back their "homework" to music practice!)

1) In our song and in our conversation from John's Gospel, Elsa and the Disciples both ask "how do I follow you?" So, why do you think Elsa wants to follow the voice? Why do you think the Disciples want to follow Jesus?

2) Elsa, the Psalmist, and the Disciples are all worried that the "voice" they're hearing is going to leave them. Do you believe God ever leaves us or hides from us? Why do you believe this way?

3) Think about a time that you weren't sure what to do or didn't know your next step. How did you feel? What did you do to help you feel OK?