

SOMETIMES



Macaroni Bites

Ask if anyone is hungry? Ask how many of your students like macaroni. Tell your students that you just happen to have some with you. Who would like a bite? Choose a volunteer that really likes macaroni. When he comes up, show him a package of uncooked macaroni, pour it into a bowl and ask him to take a bite. How does it taste? (Believe it or not, some people like it this way!)

Spiritual Application: I have a plan for this macaroni, but it will take some time. God has special plans for you and, in His time, He will lead you right where you need to be. At this point, if you are talking about how God guides you, you could examine how God led Paul in Acts 16:6-8.

Or, if you want to talk about the plans God has, take a look at Jeremiah 29:11-13. The Lord spoke this to Jeremiah before He punished the nation of Judah for their sinful ways. Once God's judgment came, for more than seventy years the temple laid in ruins, the walls of the city were torn down and most of the people were held captive in foreign lands. It was quite a wait before God's plans seemed to be moving again but even before all this happened, He gave them this promise to which to hold. They had to wait patiently for the right time. Jump ahead seventy years and you'll land in Daniel 9 as Daniel, who is in exile, far from Jerusalem, realizes that the time has come and takes his request before the Lord.

