

## Chapter 11

*Early Prophets*

The prophets, by faith, conquered kingdoms, did what was righteous, obtained the promises.

*Hebrews 11:33*

**For the Parents:**

In chapter 11 your child learned to:

- Name Israel's prophets and summarize their message
- Explain the prophets' role in Israel and for people of faith today
- Tell how and why he or she is called to speak out for justice today

In this chapter, the phenomenon of prophecy is introduced and explored using examples of various prophets, from Elijah to Joel. Prophets played an important role in restoring and reinvigorating the central beliefs and commitments of the people of Israel when they had been compromised.

Prophecy yielded genuinely new insights into the nature of God and our relationship to him. The words of the prophets thus ultimately transcended the specific circumstances in which they were spoken, and they have become God's abiding word for us.

**With Your Child:**

1. When you watch TV this week, talk about any report or drama that deals with a person who makes good things happen by being faithful or doing what is right.
2. Read about Archbishop Oscar Romero on the Review and Explore page.