Dear Families:

Today we visited a passage from the Old Testament. In the book of Jeremiah, we learned how Jeremiah was called by God to be a prophet. Jeremiah heard God's voice when he was very young. God told him that before he was even in his mother's womb, he had selected him to be a prophet to the nations. Jeremiah was afraid. He asked God, "How can this be? I'm just a kid, I don't know how to speak to nations!" God told him to have no fear, for He would always be with Jeremiah. Then he touched Jeremiah's mouth, putting in the words that God wanted him to say.

Like Jeremiah, our first thought when presented with the Lord's work is usually, "But-I can't do that!" Many excuses are offered- we don't know how, we don't have time, we don't have enough money. But God immediately throws all those excuses away. He promises us that He will always be with us. There's no use in running from God. But don't worry. If it is a job that we've been tapped to do, God will give us everything we need to make sure we complete it!

Today, we continued our hot chocolate sales to benefit Literacy of Love. For \$1, you can enjoy a cup of gourmet hot chocolate! We encourage you to use your own mug, but cups will be available if needed. We will have a variety of flavors and toppings available. Please help support the boys in their mission work! The sales will continue as long as the cold weather lasts.

Next week, our church will celebrate Scout Sunday! If you're a Scouts BSA member, we extend a special invitation for you to join us next Sunday.

Thank you for being with us today!

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