



Jaxson Harlan Ministry

He Sees You Still

When you feel invisible, El Roi still draws near

01

LISTEN

Song + lyric hook

02

DIG

Gen 16 · Ps 34 · Isa 61

03

TALK

Lonely · ashes · hope

04

RESPOND

Name hurt · receive
nearness

AGES 13–18 (youth group / small group)

TIME 35–45 minutes

PAIR WITH Chord sheet · He Sees You Still

GOSPEL AIM God sees the lonely and wounded; hope rises in Christ

Leader Guide

One song. Four movements. One gospel landing.

BIG IDEA

Feeling unseen is real — in broken homes, betrayal, or the quiet corners of a school hallway. El Roi (Genesis 16) is the God who sees. He draws near to the brokenhearted, binds fear, and trades ashes for beauty. Hope rises not because pain vanishes, but because Christ draws near.

SESSION MAP

1. Warm open

5 min

Phone-down. Where have you felt invisible this week?

2. Listen

8 min

Play “He Sees You Still.” Hand lyric strip. Circle lines that hit.

3. Dig Scripture

12 min

Genesis 16:13 · Psalm 34:18 · Isaiah 61:1–3 · Matthew 11:28.

4. Talk honest

10 min

Lonely / Ashes / Hope cards. Keep it concrete, gentle.

5. Gospel respond

8 min

Name the wound. Ask El Roi to draw near. Point to trusted adults.

YOU’LL NEED

- Speaker + “He Sees You Still” (jaxsonharlan.com/music)
- Printed Student Sheets (page 4) + Truth Cards (page 5)
- Bibles or printed Gen 16 / Ps 34 / Isa 61 / Matt 11
- Optional: chord sheet for worship open/close

LEADER NOTE

Song addresses betrayal and broken homes. For youth, keep focus on God seeing lonely/hurt teens; handle abuse themes with care; point hurting students to a trusted adult. Do not force disclosure in group.

Teaching Flow

Say this / ask this — usable script, not a lecture.

LISTEN — LYRIC HOOKS

“He sees you still, He draws you near”

“Close to the brokenhearted, binding every fear”

“Beauty for ashes, oil for the night”

“Hold on, dear daughter—hope is rising here / Hold on, dear brother”

“I remember Hagar in the wilderness / The God who named Himself the One who sees”

After the song: “Which line named something true about feeling unseen?”

DIG — SCRIPTURE

Genesis 16:13 (El Roi)

Hagar names God “the One who sees.” Lonely wilderness does not hide you from Him.

Psalms 34:18

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those crushed in spirit.

Isaiah 61:1–3

Beauty for ashes, oil of joy for mourning — the Messiah’s mission to the wounded.

TALK — THREE HEART CHECKS

LONELY

Where do you feel unseen?

ASHES

What wound are you carrying alone?

HOPE

What would it mean that God draws near here?

GOSPEL LANDING

You are not invisible to heaven. The God who saw Hagar sees you. The Son who wept and was wounded draws near to the brokenhearted. Hope rises because Christ is near — not because you fixed the story. If you are hurting, tell a trusted adult. El Roi walks with you there too.

Student Sheet

He Sees You Still · fill this while you listen & talk

Name _____ Date _____ Group _____

1. CIRCLE THE LINE THAT HIT HARDEST

- ☐ He sees you still, He draws you near
- ☐ Close to the brokenhearted, binding every fear
- ☐ Beauty for ashes, oil for the night
- ☐ Hold on, dear daughter / Hold on, dear brother
- ☐ The God who named Himself the One who sees

2. WHERE I FEEL UNSEEN

Be honest — hallway, home, online, friend group... Where do you feel invisible?

3. SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

Genesis 16

Who saw Hagar — and what did she name Him?

Psalms 34

Who is God close to?

Isaiah 61

What does He trade for ashes?

4. INVISIBLE → SEEN

HOW I FEEL

WHAT GOD SAYS

5. ONE HONEST PRAYER

"El Roi — You see me here. Draw near to this wound. Hold on with me..."

Truth Cards + Take-Home

Print · cut · keep in a Bible or locker

Cut along the dashed lines. Two wallet cards + one fridge verse.

TRUTH CARD

El Roi Sees You

"She gave this name to the Lord who spoke to her: 'You are the God who sees me.'" — Genesis 16:13

Wilderness does not hide you. He still draws near.

TRUTH CARD

Close to the Broken

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." — Psalm 34:18

Your ashes are not the end. Beauty and hope rise in Christ.

FRIDGE / LOCKER VERSE

**"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit."**

Psalm 34:18

This week: when you feel unseen, whisper — El Roi, You see me still.

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How this sits in the series

Song-to-Scripture Youth Studies · Ages 13–18

THIS STUDY

He Sees You Still

When you feel invisible, El Roi still draws near

A pastoral study on loneliness, betrayal wounds, and the God who sees. Gentle entry point for hurting teens; pairs well before pride / throne themes.

FULL SONG-TO-SCRIPTURE SET

- **I Called It Mercy** Rename sin · ask for real mercy

- **He Sees You Still** El Roi — God sees lonely teens

- **Knees First** Pride falls · grace meets empty hands

- **Who's on the Throne** Self-rule vs Jesus is Lord

- **Hold It Light** Provision is gift · not a throne

PAIRING TIPS

- Start here if your group carries home pain — softer door than greed/pride studies.
- Follow with Knees First or Who's on the Throne when trust is built.
- Always have a trusted adult pathway ready; never force public sharing of trauma.

Website placement

On /ministry-resources/, file under “Youth Song-to-Scripture Studies.” Card layout with cover thumbnail, age badge (13–18), time badge (35–45 min), and Download PDF — same visual language as chord sheet links. Link the matching chord sheet.