

THE LIFE OF JESUS

“Treasure Hunt”

Read “Treasure Hunt”, on page 250 in the JSB with your child/ren. You can use the questions from the conversation starters to talk about how God and heaven are the real treasures.

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Conversation Starters

- What would you do if you found a million dollars in your backyard?
- What do you think the word treasure means?
- What are some of the things you treasure?
- What do you think it means that God is our treasure?
- Where did Jesus say God’s kingdom is?
- What is God’s treasure?

but these are written
THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE THAT
Jesus is the Christ,
THE SON OF GOD
& THAT BY BELIEVING YOU MAY
have life in his name.

JOHN 20:31



Memory Verse Activity: Treasure Hunt

Write each of the words of the memory verse on an index card and hide the cards around the house. Have your children go on a treasure hunt for all the cards and then have them place the cards in the right order to complete the memory verse. The younger ones may need to see the memory verse so they can place the words in the right order. You can make it a competition by giving each child their own color index card. So, for example one person finds all the orange cards another finds the blue cards. The first person to find all their color-coded cards and place them in the correct order of the memory verse wins.

SWEET DESSERTS

Children will learn that it is better to wait for heavenly rewards than it is to indulge themselves with worldly pleasures.

Materials needed:

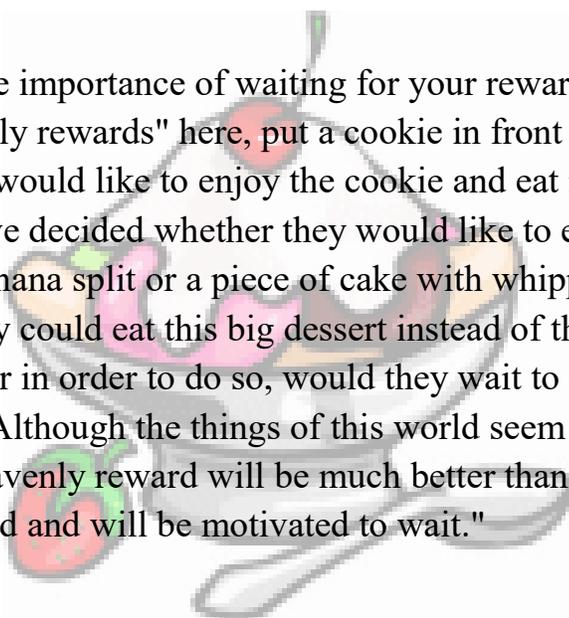
- Cookie for each child
- A favorite dessert

In order to demonstrate the importance of waiting for your reward in heaven rather than indulge yourself in "worldly rewards" here, put a cookie in front of each of your children and ask them if they would like to enjoy the cookie and eat it now.

After all your children have decided whether they would like to eat it or not, then present a dessert such as a banana split or a piece of cake with whipped cream all over it.

Tell your children that they could eat this big dessert instead of the cookie but they will have to wait for a half hour in order to do so, would they wait to eat it?

Say, "Heaven is like this. Although the things of this world seem very appealing, if we can remember that our heavenly reward will be much better than the things of this world we will not be disappointed and will be motivated to wait."





All you need is:

Plastic water bottle with label removed.

Sand or uncooked rice

variety of small objects to place inside such as: a nickel, dice, googly eye, button, bouncy ball, bead, birthday candle, penny, toothpick,

Glue

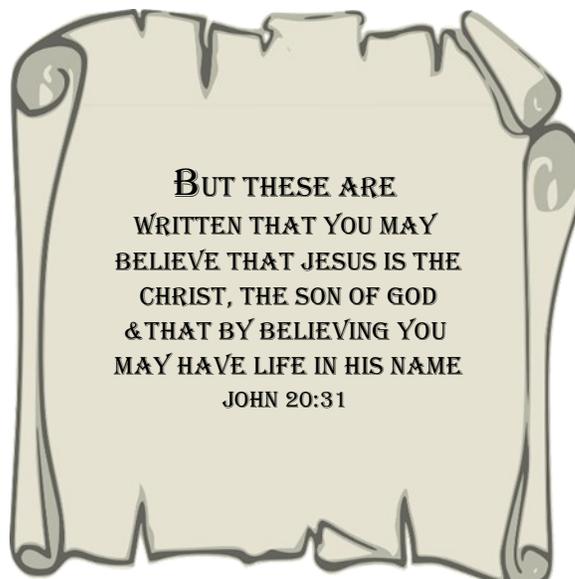
Remove the label of a water bottle. Place all your objects into the empty bottle then fill about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way with sand or rice.. Don't forget to super glue the lid on so you don't end up with sand or rice all over the place.

Treasure box

- any size box
- washi tape
- paper of your choice
- stickers
- gems
- handout of memory verse



Decorate a box with paper, (wrapping paper, cardstock, or plain paper that you decorate with paint or marker). Attach stickers, washi tape, gems etc., and the handout memory verse.

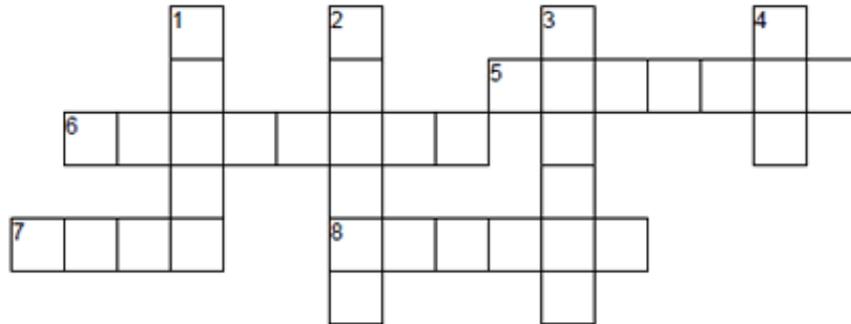


The Parable of the Hidden Treasure

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field." Matthew 13:44 (NIV)



Complete the activity below.



ACROSS

5. A territory or country ruled by a king or queen
6. Something of great value such as silver, gold, or jewels
7. Gave something in exchange for money
8. The place where God is

DOWN

1. An open area of land without buildings on it
2. Purchased something by paying money for it
3. To be kept out of sight so no one can find it
4. A feeling of great happiness

KINGDOM	HIDDEN	HEAVEN	TREASURE
FIELD	SOLD	BOUGHT	JOY