



CREATE TIME



CAPTURE MOMENTS



AND CELEBRATE MILESTONES



TOGETHER



BIBLE STORY

Hidden Treasure Parable
Matthew 13:44

BIG TRUTH

God is Good.
He is what is best.

NOTE TO PARENTS

This week, we continued learning about the life of Jesus and what He did while He was on earth. God tells us who He is and what He is like in the Bible. Jesus used parables to teach others about God, and today we learned about the Parable of the Hidden Treasure. We saw that God is good and worthy because He is our greatest treasure. He is what is best.

We encourage you to spend time this week discussing why knowing God is what is best can help us love God most. Think about other stories in the Bible we have learned this year. What other ways did God show He was good in the Bible? Next week, we will continue learning about Jesus' time on earth. See you soon!



TIME

Centering the home on God's Word

After this week's lesson, ask:

1. What attribute of God did you learn about today? *God is Good.*
2. What is a parable? *A pretend story that teaches something true*
3. What is God's kingdom and what is it compared to in the parable? *God's kingdom is the place where Jesus is with His people and everything is made right. It is like the treasure the man found in the parable.*
4. We have good things like ice cream, friends, toys, etc. How is God the BEST thing? *A relationship with God and being with Him is better than anything else.*
5. How does knowing that God is good help us to trust Him? *We sometimes see good things around us and forget that God is the BEST thing. When we believe that God is what is best, we trust God. We will see more and more that nothing can compare to how great God is. He becomes most valuable to us.*

Read Psalm 27:4 as a family. Talk about which testament, book, chapter, and verse this passage is found in.

1. What words in this passage do you not recognize or understand?
Dwell – live
Gaze – look with gladness
Inquire – ask
2. What is David talking about when he talks about the house of the Lord? *He wants to be in the household of God, in God's family. He wants to spend eternity (forever) with God the Father.*
3. Does David see God as the most valuable? *Yes!*
4. As a family, how can we encourage one another to learn more about God, gaze upon Him, and seek after Him?
5. How can we store up eternal treasure in heaven? *Deeper relationship with Jesus, reading the Bible, telling others about Jesus, etc.*

Spend time reading the following verses:

- Psalm 84:10
- Matthew 6:19–21
- Philippians 3:7–8



MOMENTS

Proclaiming the truth as you go

- If kids are struggling with something hard, talk about how God is good! God desires us to know Him, seek Him, and turn to Him to satisfy our souls. He is what is best.
- Hide and Seek: Each member of the family chooses something they like and hides it in a room or outside. Try to find each other's "treasure." Once it is found, try to match the item to the family member and guess why they picked it. Talk about how God is the GREATEST treasure we could ever have! When others see that God is most valuable to us, it can help them know that God is good and what is best.
- In the car, talk about what things you see that remind you of who God is and that He is good. What good things has He given you? Remember these things point to God, but God is even better than any of these things!

SERVE Consider what "good things" you have around your house that could really help or bless someone else. It can be hard to give up our things. But when we trust that God is what is best, we can give generously. These good things point to the better thing—God Himself.

PRAY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY Praise God that He is good! Thank Him for being the greatest treasure. Confess that you sometimes value other things over Him. Ask Him to help you see Him as most valuable.

MEMORY VERSE

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. .

DEUTERONOMY 6:5 (ESV)