

SPECIAL EDITION

Pastoring Your Kids



PLANNING YOUR WEEK:

1

Sunday

CHURCH TIME

2

Monday or Tuesday

BIBLE TIME

3

Thursday or Friday

FAMILY TIME

WEEK 02

FINDING GOD

THE TREASURE HUNTER

MEMORY VERSE:

John 15:13, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." (KJV)

BOTTOM LINE:

I am of great value to my Heavenly Father.

2. BIBLE TIME

READ:

Matthew 4:17-19

MAIN POINT:

In the parable about the treasure in a field, the man who found the treasure represents the Father God. The buried treasure represents you and me. The Father sold all that He had (His Son) in order to buy the field so He could have the treasure. No one else saw the treasure.

DISCUSS:

- When the world looks at us they might just see a bunch of dirt (sin).
- It's not that God doesn't see the dirt (sin), He just looks beyond the dirt and sees a valuable treasure.
- You are of great value to Father God - so much so that He gave His only Son to win you back to Him.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. In the parable what does the buried treasure represent? (us)
2. Who does the merchantman represent? (Father God)
3. What does this story mean to you?

3. FAMILY TIME

TREASURE HUNTERS

MAIN POINT:

- *We are of great value to the Father God.*

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Box of dirt
- Small prizes to bury in box of dirt

WHAT YOU DO:

- Place the box of dirt, with the buried prizes, in a central location in your home where everyone will see it.
- Don't tell anyone why it is there until later in the day.
- Later in the day, get everyone's attention and bring out the box of dirt.

DISCUSS:

What is this?

When you walk by what do you see?

Is it only a box of dirt? Well, who wants to see if this is only a box of dirt (allow kids to dig into the dirt)? Prizes in the dirt?

That reminds me of the Father God. He looks at us and sees buried treasure.

When He sees a lost person He doesn't see all of the sin and dirt they are in, He sees them reflected in Him.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. What does this tell us about how we look at lost people? or others? (How does the Father see them?)