

KIDS ZONE

TREASURE HUNTERS



Welcome to Kingsway Kids Home Edition! In this series, we're Treasure Hunters! Digging through the Bible for the truths and treasures hidden in God's Word!

A NOTE TO PARENTS: This is a new season for all of us! My hope is this material will help keep our Kingsway Kids connected, and encourage you and your family as you dig into God's word together. I'd love to hear your feedback, or if you have questions, please feel free to get in touch – you can reach me at kids@kingswayfoursquare.com

Each week's material will be adaptable to best fit the needs of your family. You can set aside time to do the content all at once, or work through little bits at a time. There will be a memory verse, bible study element, discussion questions, craft options or experiments (using things you'd find around the house,) game ideas, and if you have access to a printer – puzzles and colouring sheets too. Some activities will be better suited to certain ages, so please read through and pick the options that are best for your child.

Please know I'm praying for you and your kids. I hope you have a lot of fun with this series!

All the best,

Rose

Children's Ministry Director

PROVERBS 3: 5-6 (NLT)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.



BIBLE STUDY & DISCUSSION:

Look up this week's memory verse together and read it out loud.

What does the word trust mean? (Google defines trust as "firm belief in the reliability, truth, ability, or strength of someone or something.")

Take a few moments to list some things or people you trust (We trust chairs when we sit in them that they'll hold us up, we trust a bus driver when we get on the bus that he'll drive the right route, we trust friends and family....)

Extra Activity **You could do a trust test and have your kids fall backwards into your arms.

God is someone we can trust and count on! The bible tells us again and again about how trustworthy He is! (Psalm 19:7 NLT, Psalm 111:7 NLT, Psalm 119:138 NLT)

Extra ** If you have any stories of times you trusted God and He proved trustworthy you could share them!

Proverbs 3:5 asks us to trust Him with all our heart.

The word 'Heart' in this verse, comes from the Hebrew word, 'Leb'. Leb isn't the kind of heart that pumps blood around your body, it's a way of saying the inner you. Trust in the Lord with all that's inside you. Your thoughts, your will, your hopes, your mind. Trust in the Lord with everything that makes you, you!

It's almost impossible to trust in God if we don't know Him! That's why the second half of the verse is so important. "Seek his will in all you do..."

- Can you think of ways we might seek God? Or things that might point us in the right direction?

(Some ideas – Prayer, both talking to God and listening to Him, reading the Word, memorizing scripture, asking other Christians questions, listening to teaching about the bible, playing or listening to songs that praise God, going for a walk and admiring creation, thanking God for the good things you have)

We're reading the verse in the New Living Translation, other translations say:

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him" King James Version

"In all your ways submit to Him" New International Version

"Listen for God's voice in everything you do" The Message paraphrase

Seeking God, acknowledging Him in our day-to-day, listening for Him – doing those things will build our Trust in Him. BUT seeking something requires action! We need to actively seek God.

WEEKLY CHALLENGE: Together you listed some ways you could seek God. Pick one of those things and put it into action this week! (Moms and Dads can pick something too) Do a check up mid week to encourage one another and see how it's going.

PRAY TOGETHER

ACTIVITY OPTIONS:

1. Which Cup?

You'll need a small object, such as a coin, and 3 identical opaque cups.

Place the coin under one of the cups and then quickly shuffle all three cups. Where's the coin?

LINK TO THE BIBLE POINT: *We need to Seek God's will in all we do! We were watching closely and actively seeking the object in that game, we must actively seek God in our lives!*

2. Make a compass

Make a compass out of household items! You'll need, a non metallic bowl, water, something that floats (such as a slice of cork), a sewing needle and a magnet.

Instructions can be found here: <https://youtu.be/QiSp6pGe0w0>

LINK TO THE BIBLE POINT: *We need to Seek God's will in all we do! Can you remember the things that help us seek God? They're things that point us in the right direction!*

3. Work on the Memory verse

Come up with actions for each part of the memory verse

OR

try and fit the words to a song or tune you know

OR

write it out and post it by the sinks in your house and recite the verse while you wash your hands!

4. Colouring sheet/Maze

If you have access to a printer, print out the Maze or Colouring Sheet for your kids!

GAME OPTIONS:

1. Hide and Seek

2. Eye Spy

3. Hidden Object

Show the kids a small household object. A key, or coin is perfect for older kids, something larger like a plastic cup or toy is great for younger ones. Ask the kids to close their eyes. Hide the object while they aren't looking. When it's hidden, they need to search for it!

Fun adaptations of the Hidden Object game:

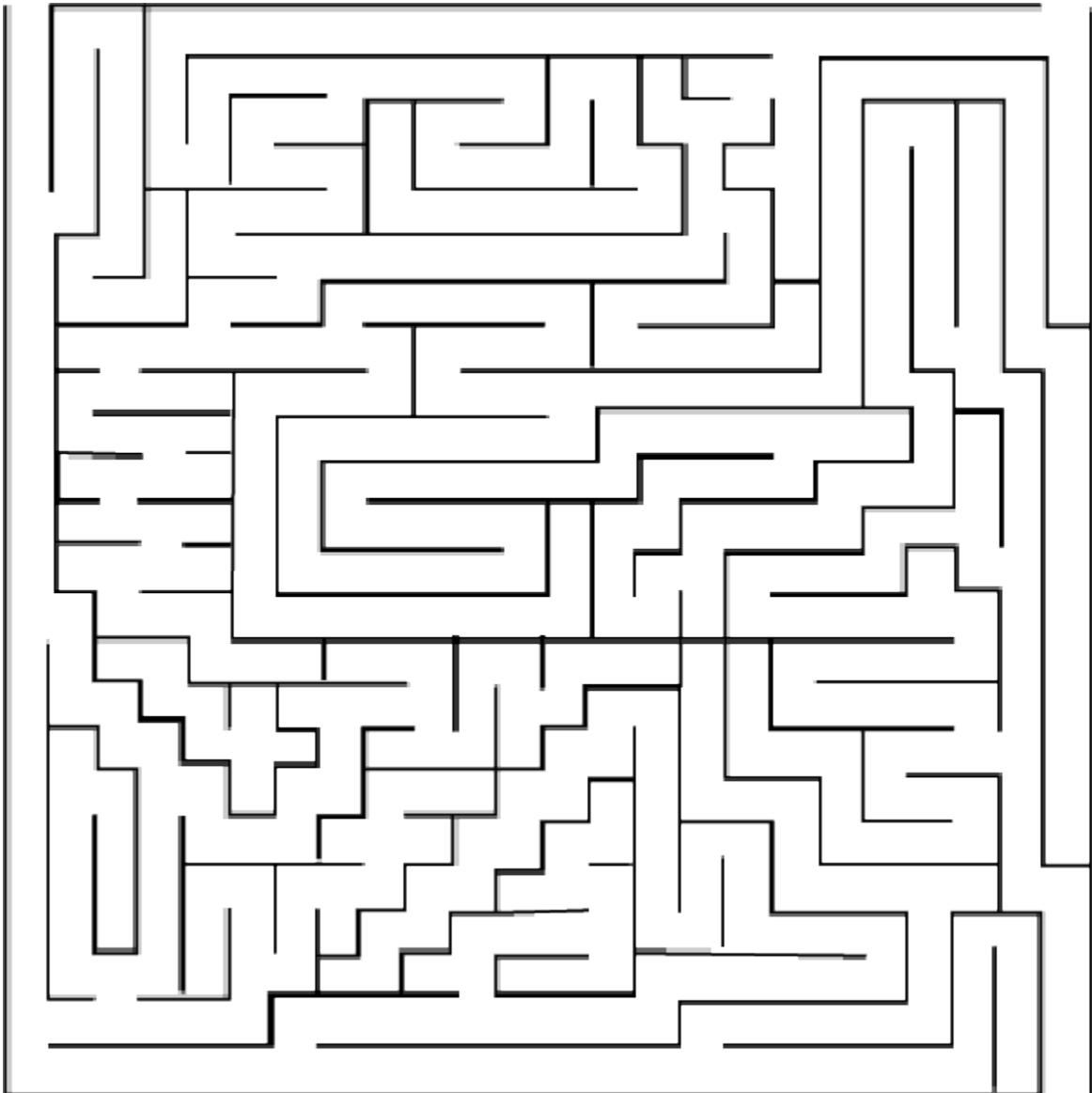
Time how long it takes them to find the object, can they beat their personal best?

OR

Each family member is given an object to hide in separate rooms. Hide the object, trade rooms, who can find the hidden item first?

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