




Saturday Mornings July – Gifts and talents

Activity	Equipment	Instructions	Discussion	Picture
<p>1. The rich man's purse</p>	<p>Felt/material Funky Foam/Ribbon Thread/Glue Stapler Chocolate coins</p>	<p>Cut the felt material into a purse shape Sew or glue the edges to create a purse. Use the foam strip to make a handle. Staple the handle to the purse. Place five chocolate coins in your purse and then give all the coins away.</p>	<p>Talk about what it is like to give all your coins away and not keep a single one for yourself.</p>	
<p>2. Closer to God</p>	<p>White card Glue sticky tape marker pens stickers and pictures</p>	<p>Make a card with the front saying, 'What must I do to get closer to God?' Decorate the front cover with marker pens. Inside, write words that help us get closer, such as 'Love, pray, be kind, listen and help others'. Decorate with other words, pictures or stickers that might help you get closer to God.</p>	<p>Talk about how important it is to be closer to God. God is always close to us, but we sometimes lose touch. We need to work to keep our focus in order for us to allow God to come close to us regularly</p>	

<p>3. Heart shaped treasure</p>	<p>Biscuits Roll out icing Red food colouring Love heart sweets</p>	<p>Cut out circles from your roll out icing same size as your biscuits. Cover the biscuits. Cut out a heart shape from some red coloured icing. Place the heart on your biscuit. Add a love heart sweet to the top.</p>	<p>Talk about what you think heaven is like. None of us really knows what it is like in heaven. Can we even imagine it?</p>	
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Bible Story - Mark 10:17–27 (NIV) As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. ‘Good teacher,’ he asked, ‘what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ ‘Why do you call me good?’ Jesus answered. ‘No one is good – except God alone. You know the commandments: “You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honour your father and mother.”’ ‘Teacher,’ he declared, ‘all these I have kept since I was a boy.’ Jesus looked at him and loved him. ‘One thing you lack,’ he said. ‘Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.’ At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, ‘How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!’ The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, ‘Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.’ The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, ‘Who then can be saved?’ Jesus looked at them and said, ‘With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.’