



CHILDREN'S CHURCH AT HOME

- KNOW JESUS CHRIST
- GROW TO BE LIKE HIM
- GO SERVE HIM

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KNOW > The Two Houses

Parent/Teacher: Say: In the book of Matthew Jesus teaches us that true wisdom comes from trusting in Him and His word. If we build our lives on the basis of God's truth then we will be able to persevere when the storms of life come. If our foundation is built on our own worldly desires and wisdom then we will fail when we are tested. Jesus is the only worthy foundation because of his death & resurrection is our only hope to overcome. Even our best efforts to follow Jesus teaching must be covered and made acceptable by his grace and the righteousness of Christ.

GROW >

Parent/Teacher: Need: Rock and Sand

- Read Matthew 7:24-25. Say, The first story that Jesus tells us in this passage is about a man who builds his house upon a rock. Think about what a rock is and what it feels like. It is very strong and sturdy. Jesus is like a rock. When we have Jesus in our lives it is like we are standing on a rock. We are not going to fall down when Jesus is holding us up. We have to rely on Jesus with every part of our lives. If we do rely on Jesus, He will not let us fall.
- Read Matthew 7:26-27. Say, The second part of this story is about a man who built his house on the sand. What is sand like? It is squishy and it moves when you walk on it. The world is like sand. When we build our lives on whatever we want, but not Jesus, it is like standing on the sand. When life is hard the foundation we are standing on gets squishy and we will fall down. Without Jesus we fall down. The foolish man's house fell down when the storm came.
- Read Matthew 7:28-29. Say, When Jesus taught this lesson, many people were amazed because they knew that He had the authority of God to teach them. They understood that Jesus was right and they needed to believe in Him and trust Him. What about you? Do you want to build your life upon the rock like Jesus? Or on the sand? Help the children understand that they should build their lives on the rock of Jesus Christ.

Say, That's right we need to build our lives on Jesus and nothing else. When we build our lives on Jesus by believing in Him. If we believe in Jesus then we will want to know more about Him. We can learn more about Him by reading the Bible and coming to church.

When we build our lives on Jesus then we gain wisdom. What does it mean to have wisdom? Wisdom is doing what is right in the sight of the Lord. We get wisdom when we learn more about Jesus. Having wisdom helps us to build our lives on the rock, just like Jesus wants us to.

GO >

Parent/Teacher: Close by reminding the children that God is good and wants what is best for us. He wants us to build our lives on the rock because He loves us and wants to take care of us. We are stronger when we trust in Christ and give Him our lives.

WATCH IT >

Teacher: Lesson video is on flash drive in classroom > The Parable of the Two Builders

Parents: Lesson video is on the website to watch.

HIDE IT YOUR HEART >

Parent/Teacher: Say: Filling our mind and heart with God's Word helps give us strength and courage.

- Memory Verse

"Teach me your way, Lord, so that I can walk in your truth." Psalm 86:11

Suggested motions:

Teach - fingers and thumbs touch at top of head and move arms out.

me - point to self

your way - palms facing each other make a wave motion away from self

Lord - make an "L" with your left hand, touch thumb to left shoulder, move towards opposite hip.

so that I - point to self

can walk - walk in place

in your truth - point up to God

THE WISE AND FOOLISH BUILDER - MATTHEW 7

