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CHURCH AT HOME

The Parables
Scope and Sequence

Date	Theme	Parable
October 4	Grow in Power	The Growing Seed
October 11	Treasure Goodness	The Hidden Treasure
October 18	Be Humble	The Banquet
October 25	Shine Bright	The Lamp

What is a Parable?

A Parable is a story that is used to teach an important lesson. Throughout the Gospels (Mathew, Mark, Luke, and John) Jesus used Parables to teach His followers about the Kingdom of God and how to live God's way.

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Conversation Cards

Grow in Power

Parable: The Growing Seed
Mark 4:26-29

Bible Verse: So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. **1 Corinthians 3:7 NIV**

Ask:

1. How does it help you to know that God is at work, even when you can't see it?
2. What does this parable teach us about God's power to grow good things in our lives?

Say: God's power is growing good things in me.

Pray: Dear God, Thank You for working in us to grow good things in our lives. Help us to trust You are at work in us, even when we can't see it. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Be Humble

Parable: The Banquet
Luke 14:7-24

Bible Verse: Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up in honor. **James 4:10 NLT**

Ask:

1. What happened to Micah when he started getting a lot of attention?
2. What does it mean to be humble? What does this story and this week's parable teach us about being humble?

Say: When I put others first, God lifts me up.

Pray: Dear God, Thank You for loving all Your children the same. Help us remember to put others first and to trust You to lift us up. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Treasure Goodness

Parable: The Hidden Treasure
Matthew 13:44-46

Bible Verse: For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. **Matthew 6:21 NIV**

Ask:

1. Why do you think the friends we met in today's stories were willing to give up everything they had for the treasures they found?
2. What does this parable teach us about the treasure of knowing God?

Say: God's goodness and love are my true treasures.

Pray: Dear God, We know that our friendship with You and the truth we learn from the Bible are very valuable. Help us remember to always treasure Your goodness and love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Shine Bright

Parable: The Lamp
Luke 11:33-36

Bible Verse: In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. **Matthew 5:16 NIV**

Ask:

1. Why was it so important for Marty to put the light in the lighthouse?
2. What does this parable teach us about shining the light of Jesus?

Say: I will shine the light of Jesus for all the world to see.

Pray: Dear God, We want to shine the light of Your love so that everyone we meet can see how good You are. Please show us ways to shine bright for You! In Jesus' name, Amen.

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Bible Verse Cards

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Notes Page

Date: _____ **Notes Taken By:** _____

My Favorite Worship Song

Today's Parable

Draw a Scene from the Show

My Show Notes

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Today I Learned . . .

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Questions I Have . . .

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Today I Am Thankful For . . .

My Prayer Request

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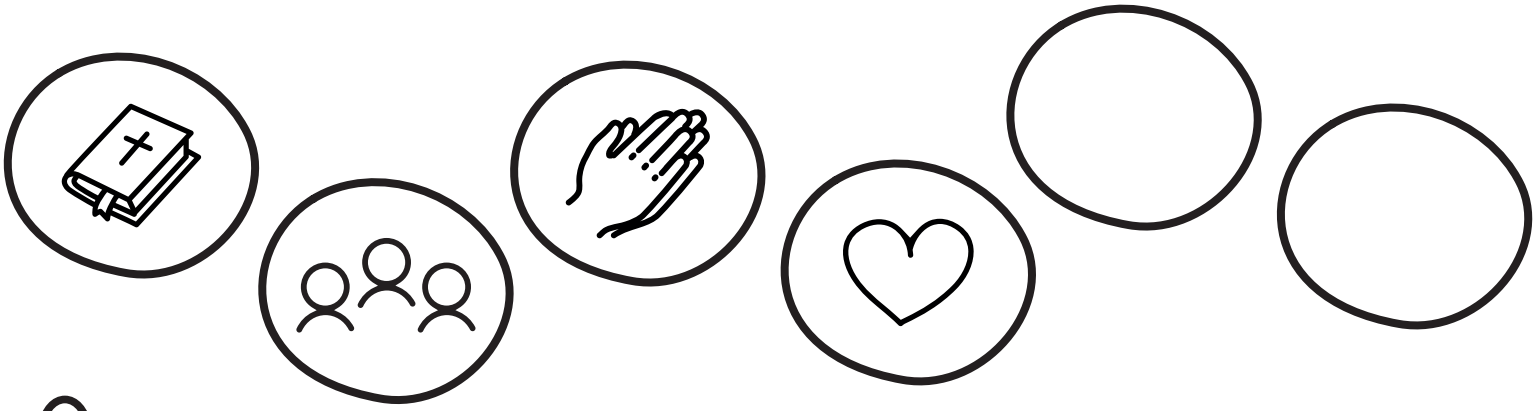
My Treasure

Decorate your very own treasure box. *What treasures will you keep inside?*
Cut the treasure circles below and glue them inside the box.
Draw a picture on the blank circles of more things that you treasure.



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Parable Playhouse Match Up

Match the image from the Parable Playhouse Episode to the story Jesus told.

The Growing Seed
Mark 4:26-29

This parable is about:

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The Banquet
Luke 14:7-24

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The Hidden Treasure
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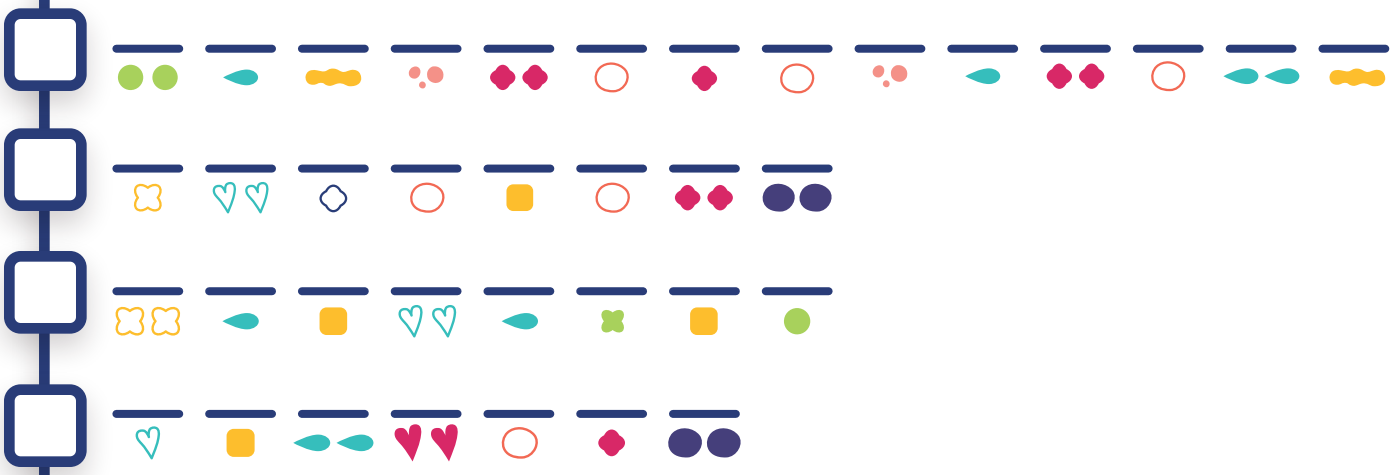
Big Bible Word Decoder

Decode each Big Bible Word using the letter key below.



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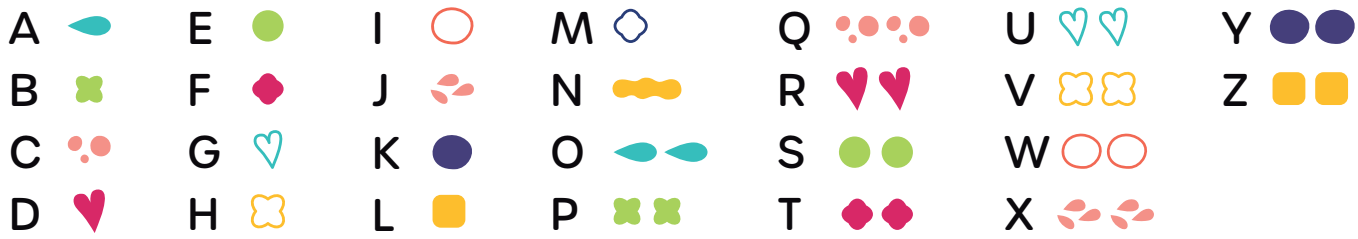

Now match each word to its meaning. Write the number of the correct meaning in the box next to the decoded word.

1. Worth a great deal; extremely important.
2. To give honor, praise, or admiration.
3. To make holy or free from sin. To be free from the power of sin so it no longer has control over us. To become more like Jesus.
4. The quality of not being proud; not seeing yourself as better or more important than others.

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