## PARENT CORNER

TODAY: MARCH 15-16

weekly

Bible Story: Parable of the Rich Fool Luke 12:13-21, 32-34

Big Idea: Jesus cares about us.

Focus: Jesus cares about us and our priorities.

Memory Verse: "Turn all your worries over to Him. He cares about you."

(1 Peter 5:7)

### **Bible Story Summary:**

Read and meditate on Luke 12:13-21, 32-34

Jesus often taught using parables to explain truths about God's kingdom in relatable stories. During one teaching, someone asked Jesus to settle a family inheritance dispute. Jesus warned against greed and told a parable about a rich man with surplus crops. The man decided to build bigger barns to store his excess, planning a life of ease. But God called him a fool, saying his life would end that night. Jesus emphasized the importance of being rich toward God, not just accumulating earthly possessions. He urged people to prioritize heavenly treasures and generosity toward the needy, teaching that one's heart follows where their treasure is stored.

#### He Question: Why does Jesus care about our priorities?

Jesus knows what is best for us and teaches us the best way to live. Jesus knows we will never find true happiness or fulfillment in earthly things. True joy is found in Christ

#### We Question: How can we honor God with our stuff?

When we recognize everything comes from God and His kingdom is most important, we can live generously toward others. We can focus on things that have eternal value. We can love Him more than any material things.

Me Question: What does God want me to know about Him, and what does this mean for my life?

Kids will be given the opportunity to reflect on the truth they learned about God and respond accordingly.



As you eat a meal together, have each person think about one earthly treasure that they have. Then ask each person how they can use that earthly treasure to honor Jesus.





READ 1 Peter 5:7 (NIrV)

1 Peter 5:7 is our memory verse for the month of March. The memory verse is written below, but some of the words are missing. With the help of a parent, see if you can fill in the words, for the blank lines, from your memory. If you need to, use your Bible to help you fill in the blanks.

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(1 Peter 5:7)

**PRACTICE** this memory verse as a reminder that Jesus cares about you.

**READ** "Even more, I consider everything to be nothing compared to knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. To know Him is worth much more than anything else. Because of Him I have lost everything. But I consider all of it to be garbage so I can know Christ better." Philippians 3:8 (NIrV)

Our Bible story for this week is about a man who asked Jesus to settle a family inheritance dispute. Jesus warned against greed and told a parable about a rich man with surplus crops. The man decided to build bigger barns to store his excess, planning a life of ease. But God called him a fool, saying his life would end that night. Jesus emphasized the importance of being rich toward God, not just accumulating earthly possessions. He urged people to prioritize heavenly treasures and generosity toward the needy, teaching that one's heart follows where their treasure is stored.

With the help of a parent, write the words "JESUS IS THE BEST TREASURE!" in large letters across the entire treasure box. You can decorate or color in the treasure box, if you want to. Allow it to be a reminder that Jesus is the best treasure!



**KNOW** that Jesus knows us and our fears

# DAY 3

#### **READ** Luke 12:13-21, 32-34 (NIrV)

The words on the left are all a part of this week's Bible story. With the help of a parent, unscramble the words from this week's Bible story. Draw a line to the correct word on the right side.

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**THANK** Jesus for caring about you and your priorities

## **HEY PARENTS** SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

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**Return for 5 Bible Bucks!** 

# DAY 4

**READ** "And God is able to shower all kinds of blessings on you. So, in all things and at all times you will have everything you need. You will do more and more good works." 2 Corinthians 9:8 (NIrV)

This week, we have learned that everything we have, all the treasures we have, are given to us from God. Since He has given us all of our earthly treasures, He wants us to be generous with our gifts and give to others.

With the help of a parent, write down one way that you could help others with the treasures you have on the line below. Maybe you could gather ingredients and bake cookies for a neighbor. Or maybe you could find old clothes that don't fit you or old toys that you don't use any more. You could donate those to charity or to others in need. You could also think about your neighbors and see if there is anything you can do to help them this week.

Take a moment to pray to God. Ask him to help you prioritize your heavenly gifts and help you use your earthly gifts to help others.

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## parent CUE:

We want to let you know that we have an amazing opportunity for you and your child. We are learning the importance of giving (tithing) in UpTown. For many years the kids in UpTown have been caring for children through Compassion International and Forgotten Children Worldwide. We are currently sponsoring a boy named John that lives in Tanzania and a girl named Akeelo that lives in Uganda.

Our support will provide John and Akeelo with:

- Food to combat malnutrition
- Health care and immunizations
- Education and income generating skills
- The Gospel message and spiritual guidance
- The love and support of the church staff

Every week during Studio24 and Clubhouse, your child will have the chance to give an offering to help sponsor John and Akeelo. We pray that you will partner with us in this. Learning to have a heart of generosity will help your child grow to have a heart like Jesus.

## at a GLANCE



### **Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping**

March 22-23 4th Grade

March 29-30 3rd Grade

April 5-6 2nd Grade

April 12-13 1st Grade

April 26-27 Kindergarten



Child's Name: