

KIDS CHURCH ONLINE

Sunday 29th March 2020

THEME - BUILDING ON A SOLID FOUNDATION

Matthew 7: 24-29 Luke 6: 46-49 (NLT)

Bible Verses

Matthew 7:24-29

Building on a Solid Foundation

24 “Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. **25** Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won’t collapse because it is built on bedrock. **26** But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn’t obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. **27** When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash.” **28** When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, **29** for he taught with real authority—quite unlike their teachers of religious law.

Luke 6: 46-49

Building on a Solid Foundation

46 “So why do you keep calling me ‘Lord, Lord!’ when you don’t do what I say? **47** I will show you what it’s like when someone comes to me, listens to my teaching, and then follows it. **48** It is like a person building a house who digs deep and lays the foundation on solid rock. When the floodwaters rise and break against that house, it stands firm because it is well built. **49** But anyone who hears and doesn’t obey is like a person who builds a house right on the ground, without a foundation. When the floods sweep down against that house, it will collapse into a heap of ruins.”

HAVE A CHAT

Below are some questions to help you explore the parable.

I wonder what part of the story you liked best?

I wonder what was the most important part?

I wonder how we know who worked the hardest?

I wonder how they felt when they had finished?

I wonder how the man felt when his house collapse?

I wonder how the man felt living on the rock?

I wonder how we know Jesus is our strong foundation?

I wonder what Jesus meant when he said ‘Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise’?

ACTIVITIES

Tell The Story

“This is a story that Jesus told.

Once upon a time two men decided to build houses. One of the men was in a hurry. He chose a nice flat piece of sand and he set to – he built his house quickly on the sand, and when it was finished he moved in.

The other man wanted to build properly. He chose a piece of rock – it was difficult to build on but he wanted his house to be very strongly built. He dug into the rock and made strong foundations – does anyone know what a foundation is? It’s a bit like the house’s roots. When the foundations were done he started to build his house. Eventually, after a long, long time, it was finished.

And then, one night, there was a terrible storm! There was thunder and lightning and lots and lots of rain. The owners of the houses shut the doors and watched.

The house built on the rock was safe. Its foundations kept it standing. But the house on the sand was not so lucky. It hadn’t got a foundation, so when the wind blew and the rain made the sand all wet it just fell over!”

- **Retell the story to each other in your own words, trying to remember all the parts of the story. Do you remember what Jesus said?**

Building A Den

See how quickly you can build a den, time each other.

- How good does it look?
- How strong is it?

Now together take time to build a really good den, perhaps it could stay up all day and you can do different activities in your den, maybe some homework.

Design Your Own House Or Design Your Own Sand Castle

Make your own house or sand castle using any of the following things, maybe you can think of something else to use:

- Paper, or old news paper.
- Play dough
- Lego
- Salt dough (*recipe below)
- Minecraft (depending on the amount of screen time)
- Stones and mud from the garden
- Junk

Design your own home or sand castle by drawing it.

- Design the outside of the building or sand castle
- Design a floor plan of the rooms inside.

Colouring (see the colouring folder)

If you are able print the colouring in sheets take some time to colour them in. If not why not give it a try and copy the design and then colour in it or make up your own design to tell the story.

Modelling (see the two templates in the activity folder)

If you are able print the template on card or paper, colour and cut out fitting it together with glue or sellotape.

Rock Painting

On your walk go in search for a rock you can paint. You can paint it with any sort of paint but some paints wash off so be careful not to get the rock wet once it is dry. Acrylic paint does not wash off. Please protect your clothes.

You could paint a number of rocks with different pictures to tell the story or just one showing your favourite part of the story.

Put Together A Dance (Song link in the folder)

Play and listen to the song, now play it again and create of some dance moves. See if you can learn the words and tune.

PRAYER

Prayer Activities (see sheets in Prayer folder)

If you are able print the prayer in sheet and follow the instructions. If not draw an outline of a house on a piece of paper and follow the instructions, write the Bible verse at the bottom.

***Recipe for Salt Dough**

1 cup salt

2 cups of flour

¾ cup of water

- *In a large bowl mix salt and flour together.*
- *Gradually stir in water. Mix well until it forms a doughy consistency.*
- *Turn the dough onto the bench and knead with your hands until smooth and combined.*
- *Make your creations using the salt dough.*

- *Place the salt dough creations into the oven at 180C. The amount of time needed to bake depends on the size and thickness of the salt dough creations.*

Please remind little ones that the salt dough is not edible.

Tips and Ideas

- *Store your salt dough in an air tight container as it keeps well for a few days.*
- *You can paint your creations with acrylic paints and seal with varnish or polyurethane spray.*
- *Salt dough can also be aired dried and is an alternative to oven drying.*
- *Involve the kids in making the salt dough as this encourages and promotes so many learning opportunities, plus it is so much fun!*