



Let's play HIDE AND SEEK! Parents can hide several objects around the house and kids will have to find them within a given time frame.

OR: if you have enough space around the house, one of you can be the It and all other members of the family will go hide. The It has to find everyone!

Whether it is finding objects or people, playing hide-and-seek is always fun! In our Bible story today, Jesus came to seek not those who are hiding but those who are lost.



Read Luke 19:1-10

It says in verse 10 "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke chapter 19 tells a story about Jesus seemingly just passing through Jericho but the truth is, Jesus was on his way to meet a man named Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus was a sinner everybody hated and didn't want to associate with. However, he was intrigued to see who Jesus was and figured out a way to do so. But in reality, it was Jesus who was on His way to meet him. As Jesus came to the spot, He called out to Zacchaeus who was on a tree. He met and opened not just his house but also his heart to Jesus. From that point forward, his life was changed.

Even if we have done bad things in the past, God still wants to connect with us. He does not want us to remain in our sins forever. That is why He sent Jesus to come to die for us and save us from our sins. Even as we hide from Him because of our guilt and shame, He calls out to us, just as He called out to Zacchaeus. He is calling out to you now. Will you answer His call?



Parent to Kid/s:

2-6 years old

- Do you think there is a place where you think you can hide and no one can ever find you? Where might that be?
- Do you think God can still see you in that place? Why?

7-12 years old

- Is there anything you have done in the past that you feel guilty about or ashamed of? You don't have to share it. But do you think God knows about it? Why?
- Despite what you have done, do you think God still loves you? Why or why not?

Kid/s to Parent:

- Are you connected with God? If yes, how did you do it?
- How do I connect with God?

God wants to connect with us. Let us also connect with Him through prayer, reading His word, and seeking out what He wants for us.



Dear God,

I am grateful that You have sent Jesus to save a sinner like me. Please be the Lord of my life. Teach me to connect and become closer to You.

Amen!



Here are some interesting facts about Zacchaeus

He was one of the head tax collectors in Jericho.
He was a rich man.
He was known for cheating taxpayers
He was a short man.

There were too many things people hate about tax collectors like Zacchaeus and him as a person but isn't it more interesting that Jesus didn't look after his physical appearance nor his sins BUT his heart and eagerness to see Jesus? That's one thing we can discover about Jesus as we get to know Him even more.