

JUNE 20/21, 2020 | THE STORY OF JESUS TEACHING US TO USE OUR TIME



HARVEST KIDS AT HOME MINISTRY

OLD MAN WALTER FINDS HIS HEART

OVERVIEW

Everything we have belongs to the Lord, including our time. He is trusting us to take good care of our time and use it to be ready when He comes for us. When Jesus told the story of the ten bridesmaids waiting for the groom, there was no electricity. People had light in the dark because they used lamps. The lamps didn't have lightbulbs. The lamps had oil and wicks. Everyone knew how to care for their lamps and how important they were. If they weren't responsible and didn't buy lamp oil, they couldn't light their lamps. If they didn't cut off the burnt part of the wick, the flame would produce a greasy, smoky, yucky residue in the air. In other words, they had to use their time wisely waiting for the groom (Jesus) to come and get the bride (Church). Discover with your child how you can use your time, as a family, on a regular basis to build the Church through Kingdom work.

God wants even children to be ready for Him by taking good care of their time. Walter figured out how to use his time to help his friend by simply saying "yes" when asked. We can all do the same thing by just saying yes. Be ready! Be friendly! Be busy!

JUNE 13/14 | Week 1: TALENT

Scripture Story: Matthew 25:14-29

Old Man Walter Chapter J: Talent

JUNE 20/21 | Week 2: TIME

Scripture Story: Matthew 25:1-13

Old Man Walter Chapter F: Time

JUNE 27/28 | Week 3: TREASURE

Scripture Story: Malachi 3:6-7

Old Man Walter Chapter E: Treasure

JULY 4/5 | Week 4: TESTIMONY

Scripture Story: Acts 20-26

Old Man Walter Chapter P: Testimony

JULY 11/12 | Week 5: REVIEW

FOR THIS WEEK:

We're learning from Jesus' teaching and Old Man Walter's story what God wants us to do with our time.

HOW THIS CHANGES ME: I can learn to share my time, talent, treasure, and testimony to advance the Gospel. I can teach my child to do the same.

Less obvious ways children can use their time to build the Kingdom:

- Be ready! Be ready to worship and learn about Jesus, even at home. Don't make it difficult on the person who is teaching you.
- Be friendly! Be friendly to everyone, including the people in your home so that everyone can learn about Jesus.
- Be busy! Be busy picking up toys and trash to help clean and take care of your home so that when it is time to worship, there are fewer distractions.

FOR YOUNGER LEARNERS

WORSHIP & BIBLE STORY

The Harvest Kids team has provided a worship service video for your child online at HarvestBibleChapel.org/HKatHome. There is Worship, Scripture Memory, Dance Time and a Stretch Time, along with an animated story.

ASK & LISTEN

Young children cannot answer questions on their own. They need your help. The intention of 100% Response Tools is to train children through modelling appropriate small group participation. We also want your child to engage in spiritual conversations with you at an age appropriate level. You are privileged to train your child to be in a small group and how to talk about our faith in a respectful manner. (Proverbs 22:6)

100% RESPONSE TOOL: Today's 100% Response Tool is called "Walter's Head Nod." If what I say is true, nod like Walter, slowly. If what I say is not true, do nothing.

1. 100% RESPONSE TOOL: Today's true story is found in the Bible. (True)
2. 100% RESPONSE TOOL: Jesus made up a story in order to teach them about His kingdom. These stories are called parables and Jesus used them a lot to teach. In the parable, the bridegroom or man (Jesus) came to get His bride, the Church, that's us. (True)
3. 100% RESPONSE TOOL: The five wise bridesmaids had made sure their lamps were full of oil meaning they had spent their time getting ready for the bridegroom to come and get the bride. (True)
4. 100% RESPONSE TOOL: The foolish bridesmaids had to go find someone to sell them oil for their lamps because they had spent their time doing other things. (True)
5. Caregiver: Share about how you spend your time getting ready to meet Jesus and build His Kingdom using your time
6. **Application:**
 - How can you be ready to use your time to help others?
 - How can you be friendly toward others with your time?
 - What are some ways we can be busy to use our time to help others?

SPECIAL PRAYER TIME

Let's spend time in prayer thanking the Father for the gift of time. "Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of time. Help us to use our time wisely by helping others hear about You and getting ready for Your return. Teach us to love other people well. In Jesus' name, amen."

ACTIVITY

This Little Light of Mine

Supplies: Nothing needed or use your phone to play "This Little Light of Mine"

Instructions: Show kids how to sing "This Little Light of Mine".

MEMORY VERSE

Supplies: Bible turned to Philippians 2:15b-16

Verse: Philippians 2:15b-16 (ESV) *“Among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.”*

Instructions:

1. Ask, “Do you know this is a verse found in the Bible?” It is found in the book of Philippians. Can you say Philippians? That is fun to say, isn’t it? Let’s try it again, “Philippians”. The chapter in Philippians is 2 and the verses are 15 and 16, so the memory verse is found in Philippians 2:15-16. That’s easy to remember! Now let’s place a bookmark at Philippians 2:15-16
2. Now we will practice our memory verse with motions.

Among whom you shine as lights in the world,

Action: Hands like twinkle lights

holding fast to the word of life,

Action: Hands out like Bible

so that in the day of Christ I may be proud

Action: Hands pat heart

so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did no run in vain or labor in vain.

Action: Stand tall and proud

Practice today’s verse with your child all week long. Can they say it with their hands on their head? In a loud voice? In a whisper? With their eyes closed?

FAMILY CHAT

Spend some time together around the dinner table or during a car ride talking about how we can use our time to serve the Lord. The following may help guide your conversation:

- What are some ways that you can use your time to help, encourage, or serve someone else?
- Who are some people around you that could use help or encouragement from you?
- Let’s make a plan to share your time with one of those people.

God has a special plan for each person and a role for them to be a part of Kingdom work. Remember: Be ready! Be friendly! Be busy!

CHECK IT OUT!

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FOR OLDER LEARNERS

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ASK & LISTEN

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3. 100% RESPONSE TOOL: How did the bridesmaids react to His arrival? (They were surprised/not expecting it)
4. 100% RESPONSE TOOL: The five wise bridesmaids had made sure their lamps were full of oil meaning they had spent their time getting ready for the bridegroom to come and get the bride. (True)
5. 100% RESPONSE TOOL: The foolish bridesmaids had to go find someone to sell them oil for their lamps because they had spent their time doing other things. (True)
6. Caregiver: Share about how you spend your time getting ready to meet Jesus and build His Kingdom using your time wisely and how they can work for Christ by spending some time every week helping build the Kingdom.
7. **Application:** Remind children to: Be ready! Be friendly! Be busy!
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Memory Verse Review

Supplies: Memory verse with motions

Review Philippians 2: 14-15a (gray lines) plus:

15b-16a, "without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life" (red lines with actions).

Instructions: Practice the memory verse with motions 3 times.

Philippians 2:14-16a (ESV)

Do all things without grumbling or disputing,

Action: Angry face

that you may be blameless and innocent,

Action: Right hand and then left hand
children of God

Action: Point to self

without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation,

Action: Hands outward palms up

among whom you shine as lights in the world,

Action: Hands like twinkle lights

holding fast to the word of life,

Action: Hands out like Bible

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- Why is our time such a special thing to give to others and to the Lord?
- What are some ways that you can use your time to help, encourage, or serve someone else?
- Who are some people around you that could use help or encouragement from you?
- Let's make a plan to share your time with one of those people.

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