
Parable of the Tenants

Family Activities

After sharing my recorded message with your children, pick and choose which of the following games and/or crafts you'd like to do together. I've also attached some fun activity sheets for your children to do in hopes of further cementing this message for them. I'm praying these spark some great faith talks in your home this week!

Scripture Reading: Matthew 21:33-45

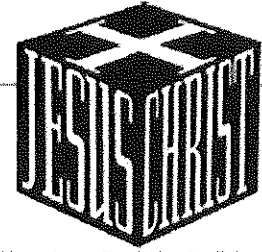
WHAT IS RIGHT RUN: A parent can place pictures or words of various things representing RIGHT or WRONG. These can be taped all around the room and when the parent says "RUN to find something RIGHT," they will find a slip of paper with something RIGHT on it and bring it back to tape to the RIGHT POSTER BOARD. If the parent says to find something WRONG, they will do the same and RUN back to tape those to the WRONG POSTER BOARD. **Gather your family in a circle and discuss the two boards and then lead into today's Bible story.**

DO WHAT IS RIGHT FRAMING: Provide supplies for the children to make a framed picture with brightly colored words to say, DO WHAT IS RIGHT. The children may choose to make purple finger prints all around the frame or picture to represent grapes and to remind them of today's lesson of the vineyard. Use a small rope stapled to the frame for hanging their art work.

LACED HEART: Let the children cut out a traced heart and the lower half of another heart to place together and hole punch so that yarn can be woven into the holes to form a heart POCKET. Children can write words from today's lesson on their laced heart, such as DO RIGHT and NOT WRONG, etc. Decorate and color their hearts. Write words of RIGHT THINGS to do, to place into their heart pocket. Encourage children to take those slips of paper out of their heart during the week to remind them of today's lesson.

HAND PRINT SIGN: Have the children trace and cut out two hands and glue them together with a craft stick or a dowel rod between the two hands. Before gluing the hands together, the children should write RIGHT on one hand and should write WRONG on the other side, so they can hold up one side or the other when a parent gives examples to show RIGHT or WRONG.

VINEYARD ART: The children will draw squiggly lines all over a piece of construction paper to look like a vineyard. The children can then use a purple



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Match the words in the box with the correct definition.

1. _____ A simple story teaching a moral or religious lesson
2. _____ The time or season for gathering crops
3. _____ A parent's male child
4. _____ A person who works with plants and flowers
5. _____ People employed to perform services for another person
6. _____ The part of a vine or tree which is eaten
7. _____ To hear or pay attention to something
8. _____ To put to death

FRUIT
HARVEST

PARABLE
KILLED

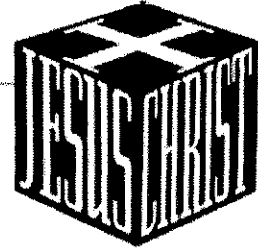
FARMER
LISTEN

SERVANTS
SON

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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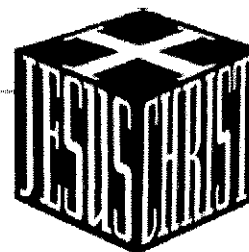
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4. 14-5-15-22-24 _____
5. 19-22-2-2-20-10 _____
6. 3-7-5-18-20-1-24 _____
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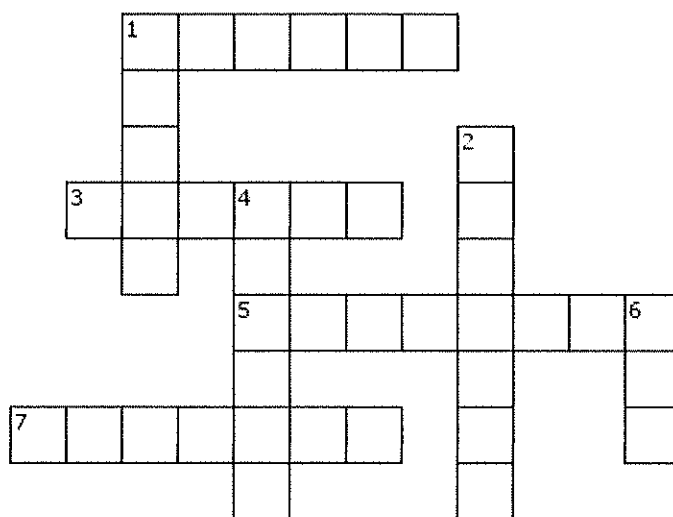
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Based on Matthew 21:33-46 (NIV)



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ACROSS

1. A person who works with plants and flowers
3. To put to death
5. People employed to perform services for another person
7. The time or season for gathering crops

DOWN

1. The part of a vine or tree which is eaten
2. A simple story teaching a moral or religious lesson
4. To hear or pay attention to something
6. A parent's male child

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| PARABLE | LISTEN | KILLED | HARVEST |
| SERVANTS | SON | FRUIT | FARMER |

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THE PARABLE OF THE TENANTS



"But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son. But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance."

MATTHEW 21:37-38

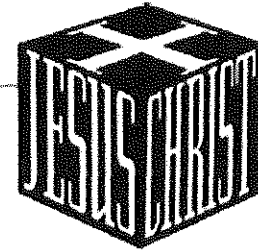
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