

FAMILY TIME WITH JESUS

House Built on the Rock



Scripture Reference: Luke 6:46-49

Verse: “For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.” 1 Corinthians 3:11

Concept: Only one foundation will allow us to build our life strong enough to enjoy true peace and joy; His name is Jesus. Building on any foundation other than this Rock will lead to ultimate destruction.

Read the Scripture together.

Illustration:

Collect little boxes (approximately the same size). Label each one with the following labels:

Jesus	Holy Spirit	Praise	Love	Joy
Peace	Money	Candy	Bikes	TV
Clothes	Toys	Sports	Grades	Friends
Religion	Being #1	Strength		

Have the children gather in one pile, all the “bricks” (represented by the boxes) which are all the things of the Lord. In the other pile collect all the things that are of this world. Build the two houses for this illustration.

You can relate this illustration to the story of the 3 little pigs and how they built their houses. The children themselves can represent the 3 little pigs or if you have some small farm animals (pigs) these works well as well. Once they get their houses build they are very content until the big bad wolf comes along. Explain to the children how the wolf represents Satan. He huffs and he puffs on the first house and it blows down (the house representing the things of this world). The little pigs scurry over to their brother’s home which is built on Jesus. The wolf huffs and puffs until he’s blue in the face but can not budge this house.

Discussion:

1. Talk about each of the pig’s building materials. Jesus wasn’t talking about real houses. What was He trying to teach in this story?
2. Which pig built his on the Rock?
3. What happens to people who make money and things more important than Jesus?
4. Can anyone ever take Jesus from you?
5. If your life is built on Jesus, can anyone ever destroy you?

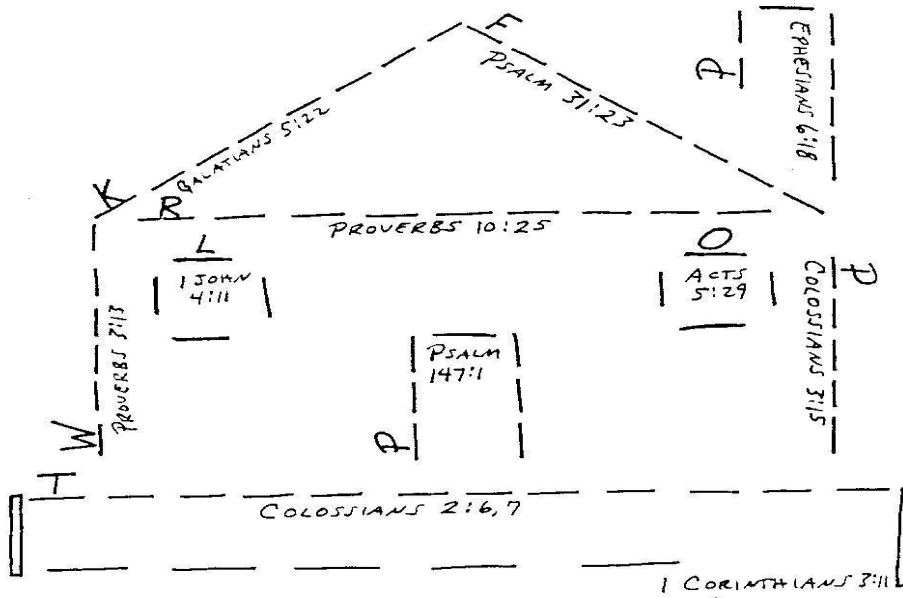
6. How do we go about building our life on Jesus?
7. Talk about the times when bad things came but because of Jesus your life did not come tumbling down.

An Alternative Illustration:

Using glue, straws, toothpicks, paper or any other materials, have the children construct a little house on a large rock. Build the same house on a paper napkin.

BUILD THE HOUSE

In the house below, there are various verses. On a separate sheet of paper, draw the outline of a similar house. Look up the verses located in the various places of the house and fill the words in to help build your house. In big letters, write the name that will be your foundation.





A wise man built his house on a rock.
When the storms came, the house did not fall.
People who do what Jesus says to do are like the wise man.