



SEEK & FIND: **Family Scavenger Hunt**

Will your family join us on a scavenger hunt through God's Word?

OBJECTIVE:

Complete the **20 Seek & Find Scavenger Hunt** activities as a family during the month of July. You will have opportunities to win prizes, although your greatest treasure will be spending time with Jesus and your family.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT:

We've planned activities designed to keep families in His Word and centered on our greatest treasure, Jesus. The activities will take place inside and outside of the home. All scavenger hunt activities will take social distancing into account and **may be completed in any order.**

Be sure to take a photo or selfie for each activity to earn points for prizes. Then SAVE your photos on your phone (maybe make a dedicated folder) and KEEP all of them for points. The points will transfer to "Factory Cash" that can be spent when we get together on August 2. Some activities will also earn you raffle tickets for opportunities to win BIG PRIZES! For fun, post some of your photos on the Light Factory Page and hashtag it #ChapelSeekAndFind.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Ask, and it will be given to you. Seek, and you will find. Knock, and the door will be opened to you." **Matthew 7:7**

READY. SET. GO!

Remember you
can complete
these 20 activities
in any order!

ACTIVITY 1: GOD'S CREATION

Read: Genesis 1:1-31.

Discuss:

Day 1: God created day and night, separating the light from the darkness.

Day 2: God separated the sky from the ocean.

Day 3: God created dry land and filled it with plants.

Day 4: God spoke the sun, moon, and stars into existence.

Day 5: God created the birds of the air and the fish of the sea.

Day 6: God created the land animals and made man in His image.

Task: Can you imagine being able to create something out of nothing? To be able to speak anything we want into existence? Wow! God is powerful. Go outside and look around at all the beautiful things God has created. Choose one and then figure out which day God created it. Don't forget to take a selfie with what God created and hold up the number of fingers to indicate the day God created it.

Reflection and Prayer Time: Did you notice from the scriptures that we are created in God's image? We may not be able to speak things into existence, but God has given us the ability to create, make, and build. Take this time now to reflect on the power of God and the beauty of His creations. While you reflect, you may also want to create something out of Legos.

ACTIVITY 2: TREASURE GOD'S WORD

Read: Psalm 119:9-11.

Discuss: In Psalm 119, the question is, how can a young man (or woman) keep his way pure? And the answer that follows is 'by keeping your word.' Did you know that the Bible was written for us by God? Sometimes the Bible is called the Word of God. God uses the Bible to tell us how we can live a life honoring to Him. We are to treasure His Word. We are to put great value on what He asks us to do rather than following our sinful desires.

Task: To be able to treasure God's Word, we need to know God's Word. That means we need to read the Bible. God uses many words and phrases to describe the Bible. Look up these verses and write down the word or phrase God used to describe it. Take a photo of your answers.

Heb. 4:12

Rom. 1:16

Ps. 119:105

Phil. 2:16

Matt. 15:6

Reflection and Prayer Time: The Word of God is powerful, and it helps us live a godly life. Set your heart on seeking God and treasuring how He wants you to live. Ask God to show you how to make more time to read and better understand His Word.

ACTIVITY 3: WE ALL FALL SHORT

Read: Romans 3:23.

Discuss: We ALL fall short of the glory of God, meaning that no matter how hard we try, we will never be good enough to get into heaven based on our deeds or behavior. Even though we try our best to obey God's law, we sometimes make mistakes or sin. But thankfully, God made a way for us to get to heaven through His Son, Jesus. God gave us the gift of salvation through the death and resurrection of His Son. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

Task: Do you ever feel pulled in two different directions? You know what is right, but you would rather do what is wrong? Using a rope, a blanket, or something similar, play a game of tug-of-war with your family. Be sure the area is safe first! The temptation to sin is like the game tug-of-war. As you play tug-o-war, think about the decision-making process and how your mind may go back and forth on an issue. Don't forget to take a photo of your family playing tug-o-war.

Reflection and Prayer Time: Although Jesus took the punishment we should have received for our sins, we are not free of the consequences of sin. Read 1 Cor. 10:13. Ask God to strengthen your desire to do what's right and the wisdom to seek Him first when the right thing may not be clear.

ACTIVITY 4: REMAIN AND GROW IN HIM

Read: John 15:1-17.

Discuss: God is the gardener and Jesus is the vine. We are the offshoots (or branches) from the vine. Once a branch is separated from the vine, it no longer receives sustenance nor does it bear fruit. The branch withers away, and as the gardener clears out his vegetation, the dead branches are tossed to the side and eventually thrown into the fire. Are you connecting the dots? Hang on to the vine; Jesus is our lifeline!

We must remain in a relationship with Jesus and let Him supply our nourishment; apart from Him, we will not grow. Also, we need to prune away the weeds and dead branches in our lives so that we can be healthy and grow in Jesus.

Task: Do an act of kindness by weeding your neighbor's yard. Knock on the door and let them know what you are doing first! Think about some of the "weeds" or things that may need to be removed in your life. Don't forget to take a photo!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Like a branch in the wind, we can sway back and forth through life's struggles. Ask God to help you remain secure in Jesus and to produce fruit for His kingdom.

ACTIVITY 5: PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD

Read: Ephesians 6:11-18.

Discuss: Put on the full armor of God so that you can stand against the schemes of the devil. Our true opponent is sin—our sin nature. As believers, we must put on the full armor of God to stand against evil. Did you notice that the only offensive weapon in the armor of God is the sword of the Spirit? Everything else is used for protection.

Our weapon, the sword of the Spirit, is the Word of God. "For the word of God is alive and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intention of the heart." Heb. 4:12

Task: Nerf war! Use your nerf guns, foam balls, rolled-up socks, or any other soft "weapons." Parents vs. Kids! Go all out! Put on your ARMOR! - Put on the full armor of God. Don't forget to take a photo!

Reflection and Prayer Time: This passage tells us how we can stand against the schemes of the devil. In verse 18, we are told to pray at all times in the Spirit and to stay alert. Use this time to pray and ask the Holy Spirit to help you stay alert and stand against evil.

ACTIVITY 6: MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE

Read: Acts 20:35.

Discuss: It is more blessed to give than receive. Is the giver happier than the getter? What do you think? As representatives of Christ, we are called to reflect God's character. In James 1:17, it says every good and perfect gift comes from above. God is the ultimate giver. He gave His only Son so that we would have salvation through Him. When we give to others, especially when we give selflessly, we reflect God's heart, and He is glorified.

Task: Make 5 sweet cards OR write 5 letters for the elderly and deliver to a local nursing home.

Reflection and Prayer Time: Pray this: Dear God, sometimes, we hold on to our money and possessions rather than helping someone in need. Please help us remember that we are more blessed to give than to receive and to align our heart with Yours. Amen.

ACTIVITY 7: HONOR YOUR PARENTS

Read: Exodus 20:12.

Discuss: Have you recently had a disagreement with your parents? How do you react when you don't get your way? In Exodus 20:12, the Bible tells us to honor our father and our mother. To honor our parents means to obey and show respect. We are all sinners and our parents are not exempt. Sometimes honoring our parents means giving them grace.

This verse is one of the Ten Commandments and the only one that has a blessing attached to it. The blessing is, "so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God is giving you."

Task: Do 3 chores your parents didn't ASK you to do, then take a selfie!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Have you recently disrespected your parents and owe them an apology? Are you currently holding on to a hurt or have unresolved issues you need to discuss? Take this time to reflect on your relationship with your parents and ask the Holy Spirit to bring to mind any issues or areas you may need to work through.

ACTIVITY 8: EYES ON HIM

Read: Matthew 14:22-33.

Discuss: After days of preaching in the surrounding areas of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus loaded the disciples onto the boat. He set them on a course to the other side of the sea so that He could pray in solitude. Later that night, during a storm, the disciples saw what they believed was a ghost walking on the water toward their boat.

Then Peter insisted that if this vision was truly Jesus, he should join Him out on the water. Jesus summoned Peter, and on foot, Peter walked on water. While he was standing on the water, Peter was overcome with fear as his attention shifted from Jesus to the storm. He lost sight of Jesus, and the waters of the sea started swallowing his body. In his distress, Peter lifted up one of the shortest prayers recorded in the Bible. He cried out, "Lord, save me." The Lord instantly reached out and grabbed Peter's hand.

Although we should all strive to be mighty prayer warriors, Jesus is not judging us on our vocabulary; instead, He is looking at our motive and our heart. Peter's prayer was not fancy, but it was powerful, timely, and true. As stressful situations arise, we need to remember to fix our eyes on Jesus, and He will keep our head above the rising waters.

Task: Beach trip - Jesus walked on water. Can you? (You may substitute a pool or bathtub for this activity.) Don't forget to take a pic!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Pray this: Dear Jesus, we cry out to You like Peter, “Lord, save me.” Rather than looking at the storms of our lives, please help us to hold Your gaze across the water and place my full trust in You. Amen.

ACTIVITY 9: WE LOVE BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US

Read: 1 John 4:15-21.

Discuss: God is love. God created love. We love because God loved us first. He loved us before we were capable of loving Him. Because of what God has done in our lives, we are able to love Him and others.

Love is an action—rather than an emotion or feeling. Have you heard the saying, “Talk is cheap”? It means your actions better back up your words. We are to reflect the love of Christ to others. So, if anyone says, I love God, and yet hates his brother or sister, he is a liar. God commands us to love others. People should recognize that we are Christians by the love we show to others.

Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, “Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”

Task: For the children: share your time by playing with your FAVORITE toy/game with your sibling for at least ONE HOUR. And it's okay to laugh together. Remember—a selfie, or it didn't happen!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Pray this: Heavenly Father, please help me to see others as you see them. Please help me to love my brothers, my sisters, and my neighbors as you would. Thank you for loving me! Amen.

ACTIVITY 10: SHINE FOR JESUS

Read: Matthew 5:14-16 and John 8:12.

Discuss: Light is essential for all life. God's creation of light causes the plants to grow, which provides us with food to eat. You see, light is needed for ALL life to exist—without light, there is no life.

When you walk into a dark room, what's the first thing you do? I bet you turn on a light. Why? Because it's hard to walk safely in a dark room. Jesus is the LIGHT OF THE WORLD! If we have our eyes on Him, we won't stumble around in darkness. He provides all the light that we need. Once we follow Jesus, He lights the way through the darkness, and when we reflect His light, we show others the way to Jesus.

Task: Play Flashlight Hide & Seek (inside or outside) – Be sure to take a picture!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Pray this: Dear Lord, help us to reflect Your light in all that we do. Please give us opportunities to shine Your light in this dark world and bring glory to You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ACTIVITY 11: MEDITATE ON HIS WORD

Read: Psalm 1:1-2.

Discuss: Do we, as believers, have an instructional manual that shows us how to live our lives? Of course, we do—it's called the Bible, and it shows us how to live a life pleasing to God. God loves when we make good choices, but did you know that He also desires to spend time with us? When we read our Bible, we are reading the very words of God. You know when you spend time with your friends, you begin to learn their likes and dislikes. When you spend time with others, you develop a relationship with them. We need to spend time with God, too. How do we do that? When we read our Bible and pray, we are spending time with God and developing a relationship.

Task: Spend some quiet time in God's Word and in prayer each day. Make a place just for this time in a little corner somewhere in your house...maybe your closet? And again – take a picture or it didn't happen!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Pray this: Dear God, thank You for loving me. Please help me to keep your Word so that I can live a life honoring to You. In Your Name, Amen.

ACTIVITY 12: GET ALONG WITH OTHERS

Read: 1 Peter 3:8.

Discuss: Have you ever played a game with somebody who was willing to do anything to win—to include cheating, being unfair, bullying, etc.? This verse instructs us to be like-minded, sympathetic, to love one another, and be compassionate and humble. This applies not only to playing games but to living everyday life. Jesus showed compassion toward all types of people, and we should do the same. We should be compassionate toward others, even if it doesn't seem fair to us.

Task: Play a family board game together. Choose a game that no one has ever played. Ask friends to borrow/swap if you need to.

Reflection and Prayer Time: Pray this: Lord, thank you for loving me despite all of my faults and failures. Please help me to be patient and loving towards others, just as You have been with me. Help all of us to be kind, friendly, and to put others first in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Amen.

ACTIVITY 13: LIVING WATER

Read: John 4:7-14.

Discuss: In John 4, Jesus meets a woman at the water well near the edge of her town. Her life choices have left her feeling empty, lonely, and thirsty. She keeps looking for things to fill that thirsty feeling in her heart. The woman at the well just didn't know what she needed. She didn't know what she was missing.

Jesus sees her and asks her for water. She is shocked that He would ask her for anything. Jesus tells her that He can give her a different kind of water. He explains to her that HE is Living Water. His love fills (satisfies) that thirsty feeling. She will never be alone again because He will always be with her. Just like a thirsty person needs water, her life needed Jesus.

Task: Have a water war! Dad (or Mom), divide the teams evenly. (Water guns and/or water balloons) Pics or it didn't happen.

Reflection and Prayer Time: Do you remember a time when you were super thirsty? What did you do? Did you try to eat food to quench your thirst? No, you probably grabbed a drink of water. Jesus is the Living Water. Without Jesus, we try to fill our lives with other things to satisfy the emptiness we feel. So next time you grab a drink of water, remember Jesus is our Living Water, and He will satisfy your every need.

ACTIVITY 14: LOVE GOD, LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

Read: Mark 12:28-31.

Discuss: There are an awful lot of rules in life. But when someone asked Jesus what the most important rules were, He answered to love God and to love your neighbor. What does it mean to love your neighbor as yourself? If you were hungry, would you feed yourself? If you were cold, would you give yourself a blanket? If your answer is yes, then you should do these things for your neighbor when they need help, just like you would for yourself.

Task: Bake cookies or some other sweet treat and deliver them to your neighbors with a kind note. Take a pic of your yummy treat!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Can you imagine a world where everyone loved their neighbor as themselves? Think of five other ways you can love your neighbor.

ACTIVITY 15: RAISE A HALLELUJAH!

Read: Psalm 150:1-6.

Discuss: We often praise or thank God after a prayer has been answered. But do you ever just praise Him for who He is? A great way to praise God is to sing to Him! Did you know that there is an entire book of songs in the Bible? The Book of Psalms is a collection of ancient praise songs, hymns, and prayers used both in private and public worship. The majority of the Psalms were written by King David, who was also known for praising God in spontaneous dance. God is worthy of our worship, praise, and obedience.

Task: Put on some great Jesus Jams and have a family dance party! We definitely want to see these photos!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Praise is the proper response to who God is and what He has done. Take this time to thank God for all the blessings in your life.

ACTIVITY 16: OUR FOUNDATION IN CHRIST

Read: Matthew 7:24-27.

Discuss: Jesus often taught through the telling of parables—short stories with a specific lesson. Jesus told the story of about two men building a house. One man built his house on a rock and the other on sand. The moral of the story is proper foundations are necessary. What happened to the house built on sand when the rain came?

We need to build our lives on a firm foundation, and that foundation is Jesus. Living the way He taught us to live will ensure our paths are straight and that we can weather the storms of life.

Task: Fort Night! And NO, we're not talking about Fortnite the video game! Who can build the strongest fort? Remember, your fort won't stand without a strong foundation! When you're done, try to knock it down by throwing rolled-up socks at it. Don't forget to take a picture.

Reflection and Prayer Time: Have you ever played the game Jenga? What happens when the base of the tower is not stable? The same can happen in our lives when our foundation is unstable. By following Jesus, we have that strong foundation in our lives.

ACTIVITY 17: FINISH THE RACE

Read: 2 Timothy 4:7-8.

Discuss: Running a race—the race the Bible is talking about is the “race of life.” As we run this race called life, we want to finish and finish it well. When athletes train for racing or sporting events, they need to prepare for it. Most people don’t start off running 5 miles but have to work up to it by running daily and adding a little more distance over time.

Just like preparing for a running race or sport, we need to do the same in our spiritual life. We should be reading the Bible, looking for opportunities to love others like Jesus, and sharing the good news. Like athletes being rewarded medals for winning races and sporting games, the Bible says we are rewarded in heaven for “running” the race of life well. So even when life gets us down, we are to trust and keep our faith in Him. After all, not every athlete wins every race or game.

Task: Family ball game of choice (basketball, football, soccer, kickball, baseball...) Don’t forget to take a pic!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Pray this: Dear God, You are an awesome God. We love You. Help us as we run the race of life and to stay on your straight and narrow path. Please give us the strength and endurance to keep the faith and finish the race well. In Your Name, Amen.

ACTIVITY 18: WORDS HAVE MEANING

Read: Proverbs 16:24 and Ephesians 4:29.

Discuss: As Christians, the things we say should be kind and with the intention to build others up. The proverb says pleasant words are a honeycomb: sweet to the taste and health to the body. Words can build up or tear down a person. As believers, we represent Jesus Christ. What we say matters and has an impact others.

Task: Make ice cream in a bag. For directions, visit www.food.com/recipe/5-min-ice-cream-192039. Take a photo of you and your family enjoying your sweet treat.

Reflection and Prayer Time: Think about the ice cream you just enjoyed or another sweet treat. How did it make you feel? Imagine that same treat covered with pepper. Would you still enjoy it the same with the added pepper? How would words intended to help people “taste” if they are “flavored” with unkindness, rudeness, or harshness?

ACTIVITY 19: SOARING LIKE AN EAGLE

Read: Isaiah 40:28-31.

Discuss: Our strength comes from the Lord. There are difficulties in life that can overwhelm even the strongest of people. When we rely on our own strength or we are impatient, we often struggle or stumble and fall. We need to put our trust in God whose timing is perfect and ways are good. Our dependence on God renews us and sustains us. He wants us to rely on Him, but that takes trust. What does it mean to trust God? When we trust God, He is able to do much through us, and the sky is the limit.

Task: Paper Airplane Competition – who can keep their paper airplane in the air the longest? Don't forget to take a pic!

Reflection and Prayer Time: Lord, we often think we know better than You when it comes to our lives. Help us to surrender to Your will and trust You. Please make Your will known to us and give us the courage to follow through. Amen.

ACTIVITY 20: WHAT DO YOU TREASURE?

Read: Matthew 6:19-21.

Discuss: What we value is reflected in the way we live. Do you treasure the approval of others over the approval of Jesus? Are you consumed with earning money to buy more earthly treasures, or is your focus on living and loving like Jesus? Money and worldly possessions are not bad in themselves, but what Jesus is talking about is your heart and how you use those possessions and money.

How do we store up treasures in heaven? We need to live with an eternal perspective—not here on earth, which is temporary. Every time you tell someone about Jesus, read your Bible, honor your parents, you're storing up treasure in heaven. God put us here on earth, and He saved us for a purpose. We are created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us.

Task: Create a family time capsule filled with memories, and maybe a few of your favorite treasures, then bury or hide it. Set a reminder on your phone to retrieve it in a year or two. Your family can decide the length of time and what treasures you put inside your capsule.

Reflection and Prayer Time: For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. What kind of treasure are you storing up? How are you doing it? Are you asking God to help show you how to do it well?