Parish of WHITE WALTHAM including WOODLANDS PARK





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Re: 'Pirate-themed' assemblies looking at the parables Jesus told

Dear Class teacher,

I was previously a youth and children's worker and have kept a passion for engaging children with bible stories. I am regularly involved with our two local primary schools and have had some contact with others, and I am hoping to produce a series of video assemblies over this lockdown year. As videos they could easily be used in other schools too.

Assemblies will probably be delivered in the classroom context, and so I have tried to provide a small piece of reflection work to do with them. Each assembly package could then form a 30-40 minute lesson depending on which bits you use.

Here is a summary of the first assembly **[Treasure and Pearl]**, I have produced. I hope it helps you. Do please get back to me with feedback to make things better or clearer for you or the children. We are into previously unknown territory here. The video can be found here:

https://whitewaltham.churchbuilder.org.uk/pjp/mediafile/m3u8_player?mfid=461

| <u>Theme:</u> | Thinking about the things we treasure |
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| Bible Passage: | Matthew 13v44-46 – parables of hidden treasure and pearl |
| | Knowing God as our loving Father is the best treasure in the world! |
| Content/running order | of assembly video: |
| Intro to theme | things which we treasure/ are special to us |
| | You could pause the video to help them get some ideas of things special to them |
| Quiz | some things are more valuable than other things |
| | Opportunity for competition here as individuals or teams |
| Bible Story | - parables of treasure and pearl |
| Summary | - teaching |
| Song | - '10,9,8' |
| | Opportunity to join in with actions/counting and/or singing |
| Prayer | |
| Activity | - see separate sheet for printable activity in class. A chance to think and discuss |
| | further what we treasure and why. |
| KS2 extension | In what ways does it matter what we treasure? |
| Yours sincerely | |
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