

Sunday 26th July 2020
Priceless Treasure



Gather Together...

Take time together as a family, find a quiet space, perhaps play some music, light a candle and sit comfortably.

Make the Sign of the Cross

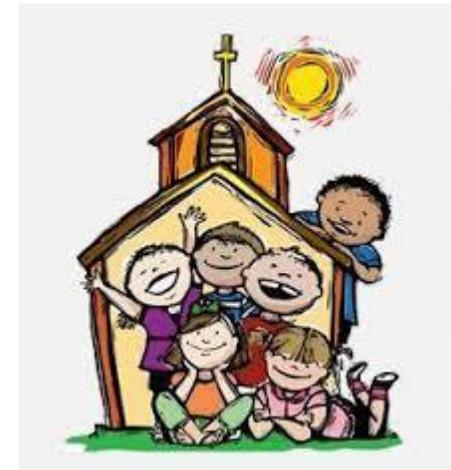
Listen Together...

Listen to this week's scripture, from the Gospel according to Matthew...

Jesus said to the crowds, 'One day a man was digging in a field when his spade struck a box which was buried there. When he opened the box he was amazed to find it was full of treasure. He quickly buried the treasure again, went away and sold his house and all that he owned. With the money he made, he bought the field from the farmer and dug up the treasure.'

'There was another man who was a merchant who bought and sold pearls to earn a living. One day he happened to find the most beautiful, perfect pearl he had ever seen. He too went away and sold everything so that he would have enough money to buy the pearl for himself.'

Jesus said, 'God's kingdom is the real treasure, as perfect and precious as the pearl. You would give everything up for it because it is worth more than anything else in the whole world.'



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Respond Together...

- Do your Mums and Dads or Grandads and Grandmas have things which are very precious to them? How do they treat them? Are they kept safe, maybe up in a high place where little hands can't reach them?
- Do you have something which is very precious to you? Something that you treasure more than anything else? It could be a toy or a book or a teddy which might not be important to other people but which means a lot to you.
- Like the grown ups, do you treat your treasure carefully because it means so much to you? Would you be happy to swap it or to give it away?
- Jesus wants us to understand that God's love is like a precious treasure. It means more than any possession we own and it is worth giving up everything so that we can have it.
- What do you think we must do to find the treasure of God's kingdom? We should try to live as Jesus taught us by sharing, loving, forgiving, being honest and being generous.

Pray Together...

Lord Jesus, help me to recognise the treasures of your Kingdom. Help me to follow you and to be the best person I can be so that I can share treasures with you in the Kingdom of Heaven. Amen.

