

March Activity Page

Please choose one of the stories to read and talk about with your household.

Story 1

Jessica's mom told her she would pay her \$20 to rake the yard. After an hour, Jessica asked if she could ask her friend, Maria, to help. Maria and Jessica raked another hour and still had lots of leaves to rake, so mom sent Jessica's little brother, Joe out to hold the bags open. Finally, the yard was finished. Mom came outside and gave Jessica, Maria, and Joe each \$20.

How do you think each person in the story felt? Jessica? Maria? Joe? Mom? Why do you think Jessica's mom did what she did? How would you feel if you were one of the people in the story?

Matthew 20:1-16 The Workers in the Vineyard

Story 2

Sarah was a single mom and used a weekly envelope system to spend her money: an envelope for food, one for gas, one for rent, one for utilities, and so on. Sarah had to make an unexpected trip to see her mother who lived two hours away. Sarah now wasn't sure if she had enough gas to get to work and back. Her 'gas' envelope was empty. She started to look in dresser drawers, under the couch, in coat pockets to find loose change. On her dresser was an old Christmas card. When she looked inside, she found a \$50 Casey's card which she considered a treasure!

How do you think Sarah felt when she found the gift card? Why would she think a gift card is a treasure? Can you think of a time when you found something that seemed like a treasure to you?

Luke 15:8-10 The Lost Coin

How is the Bible story similar to the story you talked about first? How do you think the characters in the Bible story felt? Jesus used stories to teach people about God and about God's Kingdom. What was he trying to teach in the story you read? Now, we'll Take 5 to discuss our stories.