

Ear today gone tomorrow**Week 6****Theme: Think before you act**

Bring me: Split the group into two teams. When you ask them to bring you something the team who bring you the item the fastest are the winners. Each time you say 'Bring me...'. One child from each team goes and finds the object and races back to the caller. Here are some suitable items. Shoe, Someone with a birthday in June, a jumper, someone wearing their Kingsquad badge, something green etc.... You may like to remind the children that they have to stay in the room.

Team Games: Have a series of races in teams, when one has completed it the next child goes. First team to finish is the winner. You may like to try hopping, jumping, all fours, dribbling a ball etc..

Popcorn: You need lots of balls for this game. Split the room in two with one team of children at each end. When you release the balls the children have to try to get all the balls on the other side of the hall. After one minute the game stops, the balls are counted and the team with least balls on their side is the winner.

Intro:

If you have the game 'operation' you may like to test the skill of your group. If not ask the children if they can think of any time when they have acted before they thought about what the right thing to do was. You may like to think of a couple of examples beforehand.

Story: Luke 22 verse 47-53

There is a script in the resources section, you may like to act it out with another leader or get the children to act it.

Memory Verse: Micah 6:8 (Not the whole verse)

"Do what is just and show constant love."

Use a candle to write the verse on a big sheet of paper. You won't be able to see the message. Use paint to reveal the message. Slowly paint over the message with a dark colour paint and it should shine through.

Application:

Peter rushed in with his sword and didn't stop to think about what the right thing to do was. We sometimes do this. But if we stop and ask God for help he will help us to know what the right thing to do is.

Prayer:

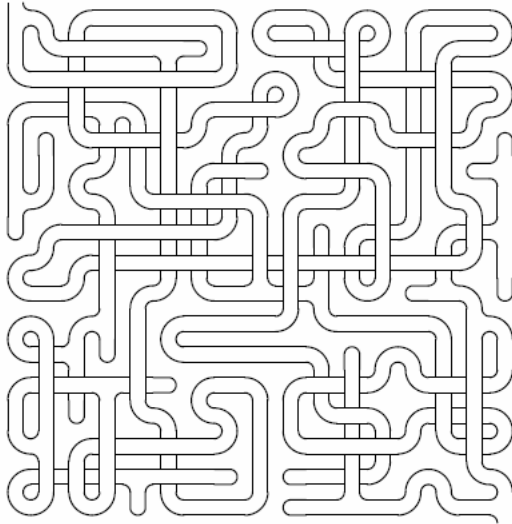
Ask the children to write down a situation in which it would be easy to do the wrong thing. Make them into paper aeroplanes and throw them to God! Afterwards you could thank God that he is in each of those situations.

**Song: Our God is a great big God
Great Big God 1**

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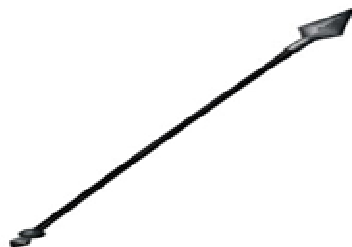
Help Jesus get to Malchus to heal his ear!



"Do what is just
and show
constant love."
Micah 6 v 8



Which of these objects are not
mentioned in the story?



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- Person 1 Malchus was a servant of the high priest?
- Person 2 The high what?
- Person 1 The high priest, he's sort of in charge of the Synagogue.
- Person 2 (Looks puzzled)
- Person 1 Its like the church of the time. Anyway Malchus was a servant of the High Priest.
- Person 2 And he worked at the Synagogue
- Person 1 Yes, anyway he went with lots of other people
- Person 2 Like who?
- Person 1 Priests and soldiers mainly.
- Person 2 Why were the soldiers there?
- Person 1 I will tell you, if you stop interrupting me! They went to the garden of Gethsemane
- Person 2 Oh Jesus liked to go there to pray.
- Person 1 Yes that's why they went
- Person 2 Were they going to pray with Jesus
- Person 1 No
- Person 2 Why not?
- Person 1 They didn't like Jesus
- Person 2 Why not?
- Person 1 Because they were jealous of him.
- Person 2 Ok
- Person 1 They were going to arrest Jesus
- Person 2 Poor Jesus
- Person 1 They arrived while Jesus was still praying, Judas.....
- Person 2 He was one of the Disciples, Jesus' followers
- Person 1 Yes he was, Judas greeted Jesus to show the priests who Jesus was.
- Person 2 And Malchus
- Person 1 Yes and Malchus
- Person 2 Carry on...
- Person 1 Well as they arrested him one of the disciples leapt forward with his sword and swung it at Malchus. They all saw blood pouring from the side of the man's, head. Lying on the floor was Malchus' ear.
- Person 2 That's gross! There must have been blood everywhere!
- Person 1 There probably was.
- Person 2 Well what happened next, did he go deaf?
- Person 1 Jesus told the disciple off, he said 'STOP.' Then he said to the priests and soldiers, 'You came here with swords and clubs as though I were a criminal. I was with you every day in the Temple and you didn't arrest me there.'
- Person 2 But what about the man's ear? There must be blood everywhere by now.
- Person 1 Jesus went up to the man, put his hand over where his ear should have been and healed it!
- Person 2 Did he grow a new ear, what happened to the ear on the floor?
- Person 1 I don't know.
- Person 2 Peter shouldn't have cut it off
- Person 1 You're right. But he wanted to protect Jesus and so rushed in without thinking
- Person 2 Jesus helped him make it all ok though didn't he
- Person 1 Yeah he did, we sometimes rush in without thinking too don't we.