



**FAMILY TIME
TRAINING**

Activity: Seeing Scripture

Teaching Goal: Seek to understand by visualizing scripture.

Scripture: Ephesians 3:16-18 (TLB) I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in your hearts as you trust in him. May your roots go down deep into the soil of God's marvelous love. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love really is.

Luke 8:16-17 No one lights a lamp and hides it in a jar or puts it under a bed. Instead, he puts it on a stand, so that those who come in can see the light. For there is nothing hidden that will not be disclosed, and nothing concealed that will not be known or brought out into the open.

Materials: Paper
Color pencils or crayons
Scripture Coloring Pages included with this activity

I. Lesson and Discussion

✓ Words written in **bold** are when the leader is speaking. Feel free to use your own words.

A. DISCUSSION: Sometimes I read the Bible and when I'm done I can't remember what I just read! The Bible is a book that needs to be studied. Sometimes we need to slow down our reading so we can listen and seek to understand what God is trying to tell us.

One way to slow down and understand the Bible better is to draw a picture of what we are reading. We are going to read different scriptures and each person is going to draw a picture of what they hear.

B. ACTIVITY: Give each person a piece of paper with the scripture written at the top. Read the scripture together and point out the list of key words. **What do you picture in your mind when you hear this scripture?** *Listen.* **I want you to draw a picture of what you believe the verse says. You can use the key words listed at the top of the paper or you can choose other images from the verse.**

Allow time for each person to draw a picture. If one person is taking more time than the others then you can stop them early and encourage them to finish the picture later. Give each person an opportunity to explain their picture and what they believe the verse is saying.

C. APPLICATION: You can apply this lesson to lots of scriptures: Psalm 1:3; Genesis 1:20. Whenever you read an especially descriptive passage, consider using it as a "Seeing Scripture" Family Time.

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II. Close in Prayer

III. Pass It On. Make an extra copy of this lesson and *pass it on* to another family.

Ephesians 3:17

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(Christ, Home, Heart, Roots, Soil, Love, God, Wide, Long, High)

Luke 8:16-17

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