

Learning Activity: Jesus in Wisdom Literature

Imitate Christ in Wisdom and Obedience

Though we are able to discern God's character through all of scripture, he is perhaps most memorably revealed in two places: the Gospels through Jesus and in the Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament. Proverbs 9:10 tells us that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Fear in this sense means a right respect for God that comes from being in awe of him and leads us to be obedient to him just as Christ was obedient. We seek to imitate Christ by living godly lives. Even though the books of Wisdom were written long before Jesus walked the earth, we still see his character revealed in them and we learn a lot about how to please God in our daily lives.

Materials

- Round beads in assorted colors
- Oblong or rectangular beads in assorted colors
- Square or other shaped beads for spacers
- Lengths of stretch cord or waxed thread
- Scissors
- Tape
- Several printouts of the [Morse Code Alphabet](#)*

*Alternatively, use planner sheets on the following pages

Optional

- Bead glue or super glue (for adult use only)

Prepare Materials

Sort beads by color and style

Directions

1. Have students select the phrase they want to spell out and sort with beads in Morse Code with a spacer between words.
2. Follow the directions on this [website](#) to create bracelets, necklaces or window danglers depending on the length of the phrase.

Conversation Starters: Wisdom Literature

While students are working to complete their crafts, use the following conversation starters:

1. If you could ask for any gift from God, what would it be and why?
2. What do you think the word wisdom means? Or, where have you heard the words wise or wisdom before? How were they used?
3. Who do you know or know of who is a wise person? What makes him/her wise?

Beading Planner: Necklace or Window Dangler

1 Dot = 1 red bead 1 Dash = 1 blue bead
 Use 1 white bead between letters Use 1 star between words and at each end

Place the beads needed above each letter and space in the planner below.

Star

F

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E

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A

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R

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Star

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H

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Star

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O

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R

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D

- . .

Star

4 stars

10 blue

19 red

8 white

Beading Planner: Necklace or Bracelet

1 Dot = 1 red bead 1 Dash = 1 blue bead
Use 1 white bead between letters Use 1 star between words and at each end

Place the beads needed above each letter and space in the planner below.

Star F E A R
 . . - . . . - . - .

Star G O D
 - - . - - - - . .

Star

3 stars 9 blue 10 red 5 white

Beading Planner: Necklace or Bracelet

1 Dot = 1 round bead
Use 1 white bead between letters

1 Dash = 1 oval bead
Use 1 star between words and at each end

Place the beads needed above each letter and space in the planner below.

Star

W I S D O M
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Star

C A L L S
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Star

3 stars 13 blue 20 red 9 white