

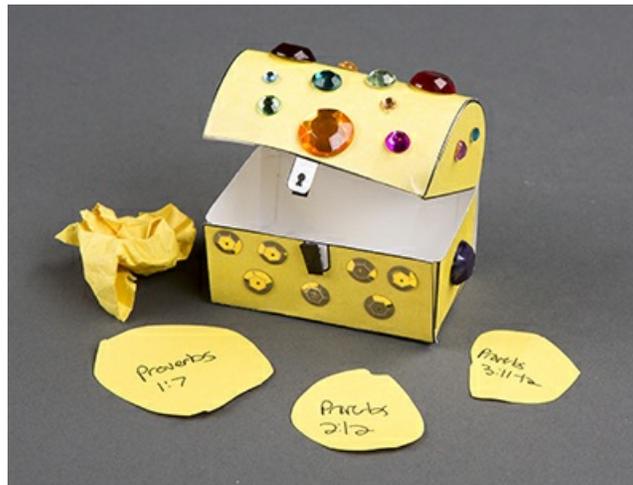


Supplies

- Bibles
- “Treasure Chest” handouts copied onto card stock (1 color copy per child) (download [here](#))
- scissors
- glue sticks
- various colors of construction paper, including yellow
- pens
- adhesive magnets
- Glue Dots (optional)
- fake gems (optional)

Easy Prep

- Make a sample craft to show kids. For each preschooler, cut around the outside of a treasure chest.



Make Treasure Chests

Give each child a “Treasure Chest” handout and scissors. Have kids follow these directions to make treasure chests. Older kids can help preschoolers with the folding and gluing.

- Cut all around the outside of the treasure chest.
- Fold on all the lines.
- Using a glue stick, glue the flaps into place so the treasure chest stays folded.
- Decorate the treasure chest with fake gems (optional).
- Adhere a small piece of magnet to the inside of the “lock” and to the outside of the chest underneath the lock. This will hold the treasure chest closed.

Make Treasure

Give readers each a Bible. Set out construction paper to share. Have kids follow these directions to fill their treasure chests. (Younger kids can just draw hearts, crosses, or other reminders of God on paper.)

- Find Proverbs in the Bible.
- Scan through Proverbs and find verses that stand out as helpful pieces of wisdom.
- Write the references for those proverbs on small scraps of yellow construction paper. Crumple the paper into gold nugget shapes.
- Write references for more proverbs on colored construction paper, and cut the paper into the shape of gems.
- Put the gold nuggets and gems in the treasure chest.

Talk About It

Ask: • **What makes wisdom even more helpful than gold and jewels?**

• **How has God's wisdom helped you?**

Say: **King Solomon could've asked for a treasure chest full of gold and jewels. But instead he asked God for wisdom. He wanted to be a good king, and he needed God's help. God knows we need his help, so he helped Solomon with the wisdom he asked for...plus riches and a long life!**

Have kids take their crafts home and show their friends and families the treasure chests, explaining how God knows we need his help. When kids need help knowing what to do, they can pull out a jewel or gold nugget and read advice from God.