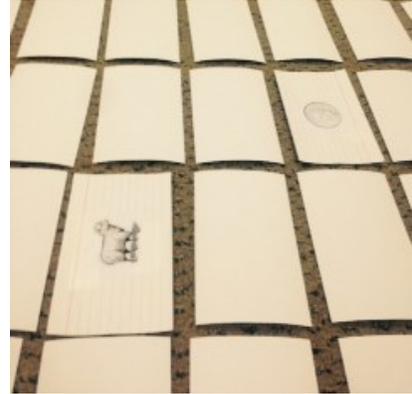


Find the lost sheep and the lost coin

Items needed: 100 thick index cards, a small picture of a sheep, and a small picture of a coin taped to the back of two cards. Be sure that no one can see the pictures through the index cards and cheat!

Turn all of the cards face down in ten rows of ten. Ask the children to take turns turning over the cards until they find the sheep and the coin. Ask if anyone has ever lost anything precious, and if they looked for it. Has anyone ever been lost in a store? How did you feel? How did the adult with you feel? We are precious to God and all of heaven rejoices when one person repents and comes to know Christ.



Sheep Reminder Rocks

Items needed: light colored smooth rocks an inch or more in diameter (from gardening department or craft store), permanent markers

Make a sample, like the picture, with silly eyes, ears, muzzle, four legs, and curly hair. Give each child a rock and markers. Tell them to draw a sheep on the rock, and, if space allows, they may write their Bible verse or "I am found" on the back. Tell them to carry the rock with them to remind them that they are special to Jesus.



Lost Coin Bible Verse Scramble

Write the Bible verse on paper "coins." Before class, hide one coin (with an important word of the Bible verse) in the room. Ask the class to attempt to put the coins in order to make the Bible verse. Let them discover that a coin is missing. Ask everyone to find the coin in the room. When the coin is found, ask how important that coin was to the Bible verse. Talk about how important each of us are to God..

For upper grades, you can make this game more challenging by making multiple sets of the coins/words and hiding different words from each set so that the children must work together to help each group find their missing coin and complete each set.



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