



LIFESKILLS GAME

“Coin Bounce”

This is just a fun way to illustrate saving money in a piggy bank.

What do we need?

- 5-gallon water jug (1 per campus)
- Quarters (30 per campus)
- Table (1 per campus)

How do we play?

1. Have a few students try this out.
2. Center a 5-gallon water jug 15 ft. away from a table.
3. When the clock starts, the player may grab quarters and begin to bounce them off the table one at a time, using his or her designated throwing hand.
4. To complete the game, a quarter must bounce once on the table before landing into the water jug within the 60-second time limit.
5. Player with the most coins in wins.

*Label the water jug “piggy bank” to help illustrate the point

* Have someone collect the coins that miss and get them back on the table so the student doesn’t run out of quarters during their 60 seconds.

ROOTS CLOSE

Today we talked about how we all have wants. Wanting isn’t a negative thing. Wanting things helps drive us to accomplish things in life.

Where it starts going bad is when our wants become all about us—then our wants become selfish. God doesn’t want us to be selfish. He wants us to want things that are good.

What are some things you came up with in your groups as good wants? *(Let a few students answer.)*

Those are all great things.

Let’s look at our verse for today again. *(Read Psalm 37:4 out loud.)*

Here is the important thing to take away from this verse: when we serve God, His wants become our wants. The more you are in relationship with Him, the more you will start to see your wants start to line up with His wants. That’s when they become good and godly wants.

So be thinking about what God wants for your life and start to want those things too.

Let me pray for you—that God will reveal His wants and desires for your life and that you would want those same things too.

(Pray for the students)

VIDEO: ROOTS SEGMENT 5

CHALLENGE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Insert any announcements that pertain to your particular campus.

Come up with a list of things that God wants you to want for you life.

HANGOUT

WEEK 18

You Want

HANGOUT (15 minutes)

ROOTS VIDEO-Segment 1 (1:18)

WORSHIP (20 minutes)

ROOTS VIDEO-Segment 2 (1:31)

GAME TIME (15-20 min)

ROOTS VIDEO-Segment 3 (3:46)

TALK IT OVER (20 min)

ROOTS VIDEO-Segment 4 (3:30)

LIFESKILLS CLOSE (3 min)

LIFE SKILLS GAME (15-20 min)

ROOTS CLOSE (3 min)

ROOTS VIDEO-Segment 5 (:37)

CHALLENGE/ANNOUNCEMENTS (2 min)

HANGOUT (15 min)



HANGOUT

VIDEO: ROOTS SEGMENT 1

WORSHIP

VIDEO: ROOTS SEGMENT 2

GAME TIMES

“What Would You Do For A Dollar”

God wants to give us the desires of our hearts when our hearts are aligned with His will. This activity is all about what students would do for a dollar.

What do we need?

- Decks of cards (2 per campus)
- Cans of sardines (2 per campus)
- Pickled jalapeño peppers (2 per campus)
- \$1 bills (5 bills per campus)

How do we play?

1. Think of a task that a student must perform.
2. Start off with the task being easy like fold a basket of laundry, clean off the dinner table, etc.
3. Ask all of the students if they would do the task for a dollar.
4. Keep making the task harder and harder until only one or two students would do it for a dollar. (clean your room, clean your house, clean your school's bathrooms with a toothbrush, catch a snake and eat it, etc.)
5. Have them come to the front to perform the task.
6. The student who does it the fastest or the best wins the dollar.
7. Rounds:
 - a. Pick your nose and eat it (biggest booger wins.)
 - b. Stack a tower of playing cards (tallest tower wins, must stand up for 5 seconds.)
 - c. Eat a can of sardines.
 - d. Act like a monkey for 30 seconds (best monkey wins.)
 - e. Eat a pickled jalapeno pepper.

VIDEO: ROOTS SEGMENT 3

TALK IT OVER

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. If you could have anything in this whole world, what would it be and why?
2. When does wanting something become a bad thing?
3. What are some of the selfish wants you see among people your age (think of your peers at school)?
4. Have each student come up with one unselfish want. Have them share with the group.
5. Open up your Bible or Bible App to **Psalm 37:4** and read it together as a group.
6. If you serve God, will He give you everything you want? Why or why not?
7. What do you think this verse means?
8. As a group, come up with a list of ten things that God wants you to want.

VIDEO: ROOTS SEGMENT 4

LIFESKILLS CLOSE

If I gave you a million dollars what would you do with it? (Let a few students give an answer.)

Here's the thing—money is not a bad thing or a good thing. It's really nothing until we make something of it.

In 1 Timothy 6:10, it says, *For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. . . .*

Money isn't evil; it's the love of money that is bad. When we think money is ultimately going to make us happy or make all of our problems go away, we are misled. Money doesn't solve all problems, and thinking that it can is wrong.

But money can be a good thing too. We can use it to bless others or to help people out.

How many of you get some sort of allowance?

It's important to start learning to manage your money now. Scripture teaches us the right way to handle our money. We'll call it the 10-10-80 principle:

1. Give the first 10% back to God. He wants us to give that to the church.
2. Save 10% in the bank. This would be for emergencies or anything unexpected that may come up.
3. Spend 80%. It's ok to get yourself something or get something for someone else.

So, next time you get some money try the 10-10-80 principle.

Let's see how well some of you do at putting money in the piggy bank in this week's LifeSkills game.

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