

WHAT ENCOURAGES YOU? ☆

Children reflect on things they look forward to while learning that their greatest encouragement comes from Jesus.

TOPICS:

Child of God, Comfort, Encouragement, Eternal Life, Happiness, Hope, Patience, Perseverance

MATERIALS:

Activity sheet [PDF] [Click here](#)
Pencils



DURATION:

Approximately 10 minutes

PREPARATION:

Before class, print an activity page for each child in class.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

Distribute activity sheets and pencils to the students. If time permits, students may color the activity page as well.

WHAT YOU WILL SAY:

Please take a few minutes to complete the activity "What Encourages You?" You will be asked to list things that you look forward to on a yearly, monthly, and daily basis. Once everyone has completed the activity, I will ask you some questions.

Discussion Questions:

1. What are some of the things you look forward to throughout the year? *(Allow for discussion.)*
2. Does having the ability to look forward to something help you make it through the tough parts of your day? Why? *(Knowing that the problem won't last forever gives us hope. For example, the math test may be difficult, but we can look forward to playing with our friends after school.)*
3. From whom should a child of God draw the most hope and encouragement? Why? *(From Jesus Christ. We know that He paid the price for our sins, so that we can be with Him in Heaven for eternity.)*
4. How small do our earthly problems appear knowing that we will spend eternity with Jesus? *(We can find great hope and encouragement in knowing that our earthly problems will last but a little while, compared to the eternal joy that we will have with Jesus in Heaven.)*