



EVEN GREATER THINGS TREASURE HUNTERS



Memory verse: John 14:12-14 NIV

You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

BIG QUESTION: HAVE YOU EVER FOUND TREASURE?

When I was around the age of seven I had a vision; in the vision I found a dark cave on a seashore. I searched through the cave and came across a great chest, as it opened I saw that it was full of the most beautiful golden treasure. As a kid I loved stories about hidden treasure and adventure, in fact I still do now. So this vision really impacted my heart. It took me a long time to understand what God was trying to say to me through this vision but what I believe God was saying to me is simply 'to be a treasure hunter'. There's so much more to God than we can ever imagine, He's limitless! But sometimes we confine him to church on a Sunday or a brief prayer when we're worried. But there is so much more to God, so many more treasures that can be found within Him. In a Psalm to God King David wrote 'in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore' (Psalm 16:11, ESV). This is a man who had endless treasures he'd conquered enemies and unified his people. But he's saying true 'full' joy can't be found in all this stuff, it can only found in God. David was a treasure hunter seeking to find God in the secret place. Today you are invited to become a treasure hunter too, in this treasure is joy and endless pleasure but its only found in God.



SOMETHING TO DO

Why don't you make your own treasure map. Draw a map onto an a4 piece of paper and then rub a damp teabag all over it. Then screw up the paper and tear the edges. You will then need to burn the edges (ask for an adults help with this). When you're done you will have a vintage treasure map.

Jesus spoke about this once when He said 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field' (Matthew 13:44, NIV). Kingdom is an old English word, which means 'reign or rule', to have the Kingdom of God we have to allow Jesus to be the King of our hearts and then we'll start to see His rule in our lives. We'll find treasure within Him and we'll start seeing Him bring treasures to those around us too. We will do 'Greater things' than even Jesus did! What! That doesn't sound right? But it's the truth, because He is with the Father and if we ask anything in His name He will do it! So what do you want to see done?!



SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT

- Discuss ways that you can treasure hunt in God: Prayer, The Bible, Church
- Discuss ways you can hunt for treasure for others: Healing, Gifts, Giving

PRAYER

Thank you Father that there's so much more in you. Today I choose to start living life as a treasure hunter. Amen.



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