



Picture treasure hunt in the church hall

AT A GLANCE



Place

Indoors (church hall, group room)



Key idea

Following pictures as clues and finding a treasure



Effort

Materials 15 min · Preparation 15 min



45 minutes



4–10 children



4–6 years



perfect for rainy days



Materials

- ☐ 6 picture cards (photos or drawings): door, chair, window, stairs, piano, cupboard
- ☐ a small treasure for everyone (e.g. stickers or apple slices)
- ☐ a treasure chest (shoebox)
- ☐ masking tape



Schedule

0–5'

Arrival – Welcome – the treasure chest has disappeared!

5–30'

Treasure hunt – The first picture card shows where the next one is hidden – all the way to the chest.

30–38'

Opening the treasure – Open the chest together and share.

38–45'

Devotion and closing – Briefly: we are God's greatest treasure (Matthew 13:44 as an image).



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How it works – simply explained

- 1 You get the first picture. It shows, for example, a door.
- 2 You all walk to the door together. The next picture is stuck there.
- 3 And so on, until you find the treasure chest.
- 4 Everyone stays together and holds hands if there are stairs.

 **Example:** "The picture shows a piano. Where do we have a piano? Come on, let's go and look!"



Safety

- Stairs only with a leader, holding hands.
- No hiding places near sockets or in cupboards with cleaning products.
- Treasure: think of allergies.



Variations

- Outdoors with pictures of a tree, bench, bin, swing.
- For older children: show only part of each picture.



Something to think about

What is a real treasure for you?