



## OBJECT LESSON

### Hand Hide

[10 min]

#### Supplies

- small, preschool-safe objects (1 per adult or teen leader)

#### Easy Prep

- Choose objects preschoolers can hold in their hands. Ensure they aren't choking hazards.
- Ahead of time, cue your leaders in on this way to fairly accurately tell which hand preschoolers have hidden the objects in: Most young children will look at the hand the object is in as they hold out both clasped hands.

#### Hide an Object in One Hand

Say: **Today we're learning that we are known by God. That means God knows *everything* about each of us. Let's learn more about that as we try to hide something from our friends here!**

- Form small leader-led groups, and give each leader an object for hiding.
- Have leaders demonstrate first by placing their hands and the objects behind their backs so no one in their groups can see. They'll shuffle the object between hands a few times and then stop, clasp both hands—one around the object. Then they'll bring their hands in front of their bodies and hold them out so everyone in their groups can make a guess about which hand holds the object.
- After everyone has guessed, the leader can reveal which hand holds the object.
- Then allow preschoolers to take turns repeating what the leader just did and allowing each group member to guess which hand holds the object. With the tip you gave earlier, leaders should be able to guess correctly more often than not and can playfully draw attention to how well they know where the object is.

#### Talk About It

Say: **Hold up your hand if you guessed the correct hand almost every time or maybe you were even able to guess correctly every time.**

Ask: • **What was it like to have someone know something that you tried to hide?**

Say: **Your leaders had a special tool to help them guess what hand you hid the object in. I told them most people will look at the hand where they're hiding something. That's how your leaders were able to guess so well. So they didn't exactly *know* for sure, but they could make good guesses because our bodies have ways of showing we're trying to hide something.**

**God doesn't need any tools or tricks like that, though. God truly knows everything about us, and there's nothing we can hide from him. We are known by God.**

 **CRAFT**  
On the Go

[20 min]

**Supplies**

- Bible
- “Travel Game” handout (1 per child) (download [here](#))
- markers or crayons
- child-safe scissors
- craft sticks (6 per child)
- transparent tape
- large disposable cups (1 per child)
- fun stickers

**Easy Prep**

- Make a sample craft to show kids.



**Talk About Travel**

Say: **The Bible tells us that we are known by God. He pays attention to where we are all the time. Listen to this.** Read aloud Psalm 139:3.

Say: **God knows when we’re traveling to a new place.**

Share about a place *you’ve* traveled to. It may be a place far away or just an outing to a special place in your area.

Ask: • **Tell about a special place *you’ve* traveled to.** Kids may tell about a family vacation, a visit to a relative, or a trip to a local attraction.

**Make a Travel Game**

Say: **Let’s make a game we can play when we travel.**

Classroom: Seedlings

- Give each child a copy of the “Travel Game” handout. Encourage kids to color the pictures.
- After kids finish coloring the pictures, help them cut apart the handout along the cut lines.
- Give each child six craft sticks, and help kids tape a stick to the back of each picture.
- Have each child use fun stickers to decorate a cup to hold all the Travel Game pictures.

### **Play the Travel Game**

Show the pictures from the handout, and say: **These are pictures of things we might see when we’re traveling to a new place. To play the game, we’ll pull a picture out of the cup**

(pull a picture out of the sample cup) **and watch for something**

**outside that matches the picture. Let’s pretend we’re on a trip right now.**

- Have each child pull a picture out of his or her cup. (It’s fine if kids have different pictures.)
- Pretend to be driving around town (you could even pretend to turn a steering wheel if you’d like).
- Point off in the distance and call out: **There’s a stop sign! If you’re holding a stop sign picture** (show kids the stop sign picture from your sample), **put it back in the cup and pick a new picture.**
- Continue calling out the things pictured in the game as time allows, encouraging kids to grab a new picture if you called the one they’re holding.

Say: **You can have fun playing this game while you travel. As you play, you can remember that you are known by God. He knows everywhere you go and everything you do!**