

A Real Princess

“A princess,” Christy whispered to herself. “Oh, how wonderful that would be.”

She was thinking of the story her mother had just read to her. It was about a little princess who was loved by everyone.

“Mommy, I wish Daddy were a king so I could be a princess,” Christy said. “I would wear a crown made of diamonds. My robe would be pure white with lots and lots of lace and ribbon. We could all live in a beautiful palace.”

Her mother gave her a big hug and said, “Christy, you are a princess.”

“Me? A princess? Mommy, how can that be? Are you sure?” Christy asked.

“I am very sure,” her mother replied. “Remember, Jesus is the King. When you told Him you loved Him and you were sorry for your sins, you became His child. He made you a real princess.”

“But what about a palace to live in and . . .” Christy started.

“Wait, I’m not through,” said her mother. “Jesus said He would prepare a place for you — a mansion. There will be many beautiful things for you in Heaven.

“He promised that someday He will

come back to earth. When He does, He will take you and all the rest of His princesses and princes to Heaven. You will live with Him forever!”

“Did He really promise that, Mommy? When will He come back? When will He take us to Heaven?” Christy wanted to know.

“We don’t know the exact time when He is coming back,” her mother answered. “The Bible tells us that Jesus said, ‘Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth

come.’ To *watch* means that we must always obey God’s Word. And we must love other people and tell them that Jesus is coming back someday. We need to tell them that they must pray now if they want to be ready to go to Heaven with Jesus.

“And even though we don’t know when He will return, we do know that Jesus will come again because He always keeps His promise. We just need to make sure we are ready when He comes.”

Jesus Will Return

God has promised us that Jesus will come again. God always keeps His promises. Fill in the missing words from the verse below.

ALL
NOT
LORD
WORD
PROMISE

Blessed be the _____ . . . there hath

_____ failed one _____ of

_____ his good _____.

— I Kings 8:56

Preparing for This Bible Lesson

Parent's Corner

The final promise of God to be studied in this unit is one which has not yet been fulfilled. Still, your child should be assured that it will come to pass just as surely as the other promises in God's Word. This is God's promise that He will come again to this earth, and one of the most important points your child needs to learn in Sunday school is the necessity of being ready for this event.

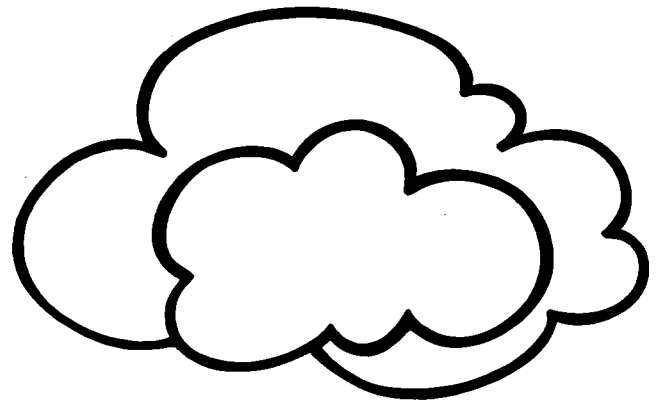
The Bible tells us that Christ's second coming will take place as quickly as a flash of lightning, and this thought is also brought out in our memory verse for this lesson. To visualize this thought, help your child draw several bolts of lightning on a paper or styrofoam tray (the type used by butchers for packing meat). Poke holes at regular intervals around the lines with a thick nail.

Reinforce the end of a length of yellow or orange yarn with a piece of tape, and let your child sew around the design. If he wishes, he could fill in the outline with crayons or marking pens.

Time Together for Family Devotions

Verses to help your child understand this Bible lesson.

SUNDAY: Matthew 24:27
MONDAY: Matthew 26:64
TUESDAY: I Thessalonians 4:17
WEDNESDAY: Luke 21:27
THURSDAY: Colossians 3:4
FRIDAY: I John 3:2
SATURDAY: II Timothy 4:8



Bible Text

John 14:1-3
I Corinthians 15:51-53
Acts 1:9-11; Matthew 24:27-31

Memory Verse

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. — Matthew 24:27

Are You Ready?

We must have clean hearts if we want to go to Heaven. The people below, all want to go to Heaven but only some of them are ready. Circle the ones who will not go to Heaven when Jesus comes.



Name: _____