

Take Action: Challenge Scripture Scramble

I Kings 17:16-24: Elijah Revives the Widow's Son

We can hold the Lord's Word in our hearts by knowing verses from memory, or by keeping quotations where they are easily seen. Bringing scripture to mind can help us raise our minds to the Lord for revival when we are in need of comfort or inspiration. Today's activity is designed to call to mind familiar memory verses—and perhaps introduce some new ones!



Supplies Needed for the Class

- copy of the Challenge Scripture Scramble Quotations cut apart (see attached page)
- copy of the Scripture Scramble Checklist in Biblical Order for the teacher (see attached)
- kitchen timer
- tape or pins

Challenge Activity

1. The goal of this activity is for each student to discover what is written on their own back, and to find the person with a quote that goes with theirs, completing a longer quotation.
2. Students may only answer questions from others to get clues about their quotes with *one word answers*. Here are some examples of questions that can be answered using one word:
 - Is it in quotation marks showing that someone is speaking?
 - Tell me one key word. (This can be asked multiple times, but each answer must only be one word.)
 - Is it from the Old or New Testament? (remind students of the books in the New Testament—Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Revelation)
 - Is the quotation about the Lord?
 - Is the quotation about us—people?

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3. If someone doesn't know the answer, they simply shake their head and give no verbal response.
4. Attach one part of a quote to each student's back.
5. Students now walk around the room (approx. 5 minutes) reading others' quotes and trying to identify their quote.
6. When two students think they have a match, they can ask the teacher to check.
7. If there is a match, they can sit down, if not they keep searching.
8. When all students have found their match, sit on the floor in a circle so that each person is looking at the back of the person beside of them. Quote partners should sit next to each other. Have students all read the quote on the back of their partner next to them.

Wrap-up

If time permits, ask students to think of situations in which the quotes that they had in the scramble could be useful in "raising someone up".

Challenge Scripture Scramble Quotations

Psalm 14:6 “I am the way,	the truth, and the life.” Psalm 14:6
Micah 6:8 He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you	But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God? Micah 6:8
Psalm 84:11 For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory;	No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly. Psalm 84:11
Matthew 18:20 “Where two or three are gathered together in My name,	I am there in the midst of them.” Matthew 18:20
Matthew 4:4 “Man shall not live by bread alone,	but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.” Matthew 4:4
Matthew 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men,	that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:16
John 15:5 “I am the vine, you are the branches.	He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit.” John 15:5

Matthew 22: 37-38 “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.	This is the first and great commandment.” Matthew 22: 37-38
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Revelation 1:8 “I am the Alpha and the Omega,	the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord. Revelation 1:8
Genesis 1:27-28 So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.	Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it.” Genesis 1:27-28
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Psalm 67:1 God be merciful to us and bless us,	And cause His face to shine upon us. Psalm 67:1
Psalm 46:1 God is our refuge and strength,	A very present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1
Psalm 27:1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear?	The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? Psalm 27:1
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Psalm 103:1 Bless the Lord, O my soul;	And all that is within me, bless His holy name! Psalm 103:1
Psalm 127:1 Unless the Lord builds the house,	They labor in vain who build it. Psalm 127:1
Psalm 133:1 Behold, how good and how pleasant it is	For brethren to dwell together in unity! Psalm 133:1
John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word,	And the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1
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