



Treasure Cove Ride Home Review

A family discussion guide for the ride home and all week long

Even when it's 'Not Fair!' Joy is there! January 24th, 2016
Philippians 1:7-18; Romans 8:28;

#1 Casting off – Ahoy Treasure Cove families!

Last Sunday in Treasure Cove we talked about happiness and joy. This Sunday we are continuing this message focusing on how we are citizens of God's Kingdom, and as citizens of God's Kingdom, we need to be looking at everything that happens to us through the 'Kingdom of God' lens, which is a hard thing to do when we're trying to do it 'on your own', under our own power instead of God's power.

We need to remember that we are citizens of God's Kingdom. In order to be responding to life as citizens of God's Kingdom with a joy-filled heart, we need to have a 'God-full heart'. And in order to be full of God, we need to be doing things that draw us closer to Him.

This morning we had the kids draw on their fingers. Yup. For a good reason though. They drew on their fingers the initials or faces of five friends that help them love Jesus more. On their other fingers they drew symbols of the faith like the Bible, Holy Spirit, a cross or a heart—things that helped them draw closer to Jesus.

We then mixed Corn Starch with water and made a substance that when squeezed turned firm. This symbolized that we need to keep godly friends and things that draw us close to God firmly in our lives.

When we live like this, we can live like citizens of God's Kingdom, full of joy no matter what because we are full of God.

#2 Review- The castaways learned that even though things are NOT fair, joy is still there!

What did the castaways do that 'wasn't fair' to One Eyed Jack? (They put a sign on his back that said 'Laugh at me')

Why did they do that? (Because Jack wasn't being fair to them)

Did that fill them with joy? Why not? (B/c they were acting like Jack, not like a citizen of God's Kingdom)

#3 Talk about it!

What is one way you can treat your school mates like they're citizens of God's Kingdom? How about your family?

Parents, share an example of how you responded as a Kingdom citizen when you didn't want to.

#4 Get directions from God's Word every day!

Hey kids, **look up and read each day's scripture passage.** Ask your parents to sign their name and write in their phone number confirming you read the week's verses. Put your name on your paper and turn it in next Sunday. Pastor Marcus will schedule a time to meet with you to hear about what you read and shares some ice cream with you!

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	Matthew 6:33
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	Psalms 45:6
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	Matthew 5:20
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	Mark 1:15
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday	Mark 4:26-29
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	I Corinthians 4:20

Child's Name & Parent Signature: