

## Kids/Family Bible Discovery-March 15, 2020

### More than Meets the Eye



Opening Idea: Each week we will begin by looking at a common idiom. Many children may not yet have heard this term. A simple definition of an idiom is a word, or combination of words, that have a different meaning than their literal sense. *He's as cool as a cucumber*, is an everyday idiom, but, if you've never heard it before, you might wonder what cold produce has to do with the situation! Being cool as a cucumber means that the person is calm, even in tough situations. Idioms are more common than you think. Our idiom for this week is *More than Meets the Eye*. When someone uses this phrase they are saying that there is more going on here than just what you might be able to see with only your eyes. In our reading today, we see something deeper happening than what we might first see.

Read: Mark 14:10-11; 18-21; 42-52

Devotional Thought: Jesus knew. He knew exactly who His betrayer was. He knew Judas from the inside out. He knew his oddities, his preferences, his thoughts. Judas thought he knew Jesus, His mission, His motives, what He should be doing with his newfound fame. But Judas didn't understand Him at all.

"Rise, let us be going," Jesus said. If we knew our betrayer and the plans against us, most of us would do something about it. We would stop him. We would escape. Our call to "rise" would be to rise up in arms or to rise up and leave. Jesus took no action—but he gave himself right into His betrayers hands. Why? Because it fit inside His ultimate plan to save us all, even people like Judas, even people like you! There was a lot more going on here; it was more than meets the eye.

We betray Jesus with our sin, our selfishness, our schemes. Our eyes fail to see what Jesus is all about. But Jesus never forgot why He came to earth, and despite the grief that comes with betrayal, He stayed faithful to us and to his mission to save us. That moment in garden was not a display of weakness but one of love, and it was to fulfill God's own work. It was definitely more than meets the eye.

#### Table Talk:

- Share about a time someone disappointed you because of his or her behavior.
- How would you feel if a bunch of soldiers came up to you and your friends at night?
- Often times, Judas is portrayed as the villain in the story. Does this devotion change your opinion? Why, or why not?
- Share about a time you had to do something that seemed like it didn't make sense at first but in the end was the right thing to do.
- Jesus could have used his power as God to get away from the soldiers. What does it say about Jesus that he willingly let himself be arrested and taken away?

Activity: Word Search

Supplies Needed: word search handout (attached), something to write with

In a word search there is always more than meets the eye. It takes some time and patience to find the words that seem to be hidden. Work alone or in teams to find all the hidden words in this word search. As you complete the word search, talk about the story of Jesus' betrayal. Make copies of the word search if you need more.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, forgive us when we betray You and when we fail to see Your plan. Thank you for never failing to forgive us. Amen.

Rise, let us be going. -Mark 14:42a

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Betrayed

Garden

Jesus

Judas

Peter

Rabbi

Watch

Sword

Night

Kiss

Pray

Pain

Greed

Love