

A Hidden Treasure

I have hidden Your word
in my heart that I might
not sin against You.
(Psalm 119:11 NIV)



The Bible says that we are to hide God's Word in our heart. But how can we do that? Do we tuck a little Bible in our shirt, so that it is close to our hearts? That might be fun, but it would not work to bring us closer to God.



Can you think of something that is special to you? You probably keep it someplace where it will be safe—that way, you know where to find it whenever you need or want it. You are hiding your little treasure. We should do the same thing with God's Word, and keep it somewhere safe so we know where to find it. The safest place is in our hearts.



When we hide God's Word in our hearts, it means that we take the time to learn the things that God's Word tells us by memorizing verses from the Bible, so that we can remember God's promises even when we do not have a Bible with us. This shows that we treasure the things God tells us, and it helps us remember to do the right thing.



Action

Would you like to try hiding some of God's Word in your heart? You can memorize this verse:
"When you know what the right thing to do is, you'll be happy if you do it" (John 13:17, *paraphrased*).



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