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NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – PROPER 12

JESUS IS THE GREATEST TREASURE!





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Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

- 1. What is a treasure?
- 2. How precious is Jesus to you? How precious are you to him?



### **BIBLE READINGS**

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

Genesis 29:15-28

Jacob and

Rachel

Romans 8:26-39

More than

conquerors

2nd reading

Gospel reading

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Parables of the kingdom

## DISCUSS

Jesus told a parable about a man who found a treasure hidden in the field and then sold everything he had to buy that field. Is there anything you would be willing to give up everything for?



# **ACTION RESPONSE**

Invite some people to join you in a treasure hunt. Make clues that take people to different locations. Use Bible verses if you can. Conclude the hunt by finding a Bible and share why Jesus is the greatest treasure.



PRAYER

Lord God, we love you. Please help us to trust this day that you are working for good in all things. Amen.



## MEALTIME PRAYER

Our hands we fold, our heads we bow. For food and drink, we thank God now.

Amen.



### BLESSING

May God's love hold you tight. May he give you faith to trust in his love, now and always.

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE TREASURE HIDDEN IN A FIELD. WHEN A MAN FOUND IT, HE HID IT AGAIN, AND THEN IN HIS JOY WENT AND SOLD ALL HE HAD AND BOUGHT THAT FIELD.

MATTHEW 13:44

VERSE OF THE WEEK

