

# KIDS ACTIVITIES

Sunday 27th September  
Parable of the Two Sons



## READ

Jesus went to the Temple. While he was teaching there, the leading priests and the elders of the people came to Jesus. They said to him, “Tell us! What authority do you have to do these things? Who gave you this authority?” Jesus answered, “I will ask you a question, too. If you answer me, then I will tell you what authority I have to do

these things. Tell me: When John baptised people, did that come from God or from man?” The priests and the leaders argued about Jesus’ question. They said to each other, “If we answer, ‘John’s baptism was from God,’ then Jesus will say, ‘Then why didn’t you believe John?’ But if we say, ‘It was from man,’ we are afraid of what the people will do because they all believe that John was a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We don’t know.”

Then Jesus said, “Then I won’t tell you what authority I have to do these things! A Story About Two Sons “Tell me what you think about this: There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first son and said, ‘Son, go and work today in my vineyard.’ The son answered, ‘I will not go.’ But later the son decided he should go, and he went. Then the father went to the other son and said, ‘Son, go and work today in my vineyard.’ The son answered, ‘Yes, sir, I will go and work.’ But he did not go. Which of the two sons obeyed his father?” The priests and leaders answered, “The first son.” Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth. The tax collectors and the prostitutes will enter the kingdom of God before you do. John came to show you the right way to live. And you did not believe him. But the tax collectors and prostitutes believed John. You saw this, but you still refused to change and believe him.



Matthew 21:23-32



## THINK

- Have you ever been in a situations where no one would really know if you followed directions or not?
- Have you ever made a promise to anyone?
- Have you ever not kept a promise that you made?

In this story Jesus was reminding people that making promises is a much different action than actually carrying out your word. Saying you'll act a certain way without following through is like talking about joining a professional sports club when you've never before played a game.

It's important to remember that, while living out our words is important, this story isn't just about us. It's about Jesus!

Jesus was the "third son" of this parable. He made promises and followed through on them. We know that He does what He says, because He died for us. We can always trust His promises, and live by His example and love.



## Pray

Dear God,  
Thank you for your gift of Christ  
Please help us to live out our promises in word  
and deed  
Amen

# Create



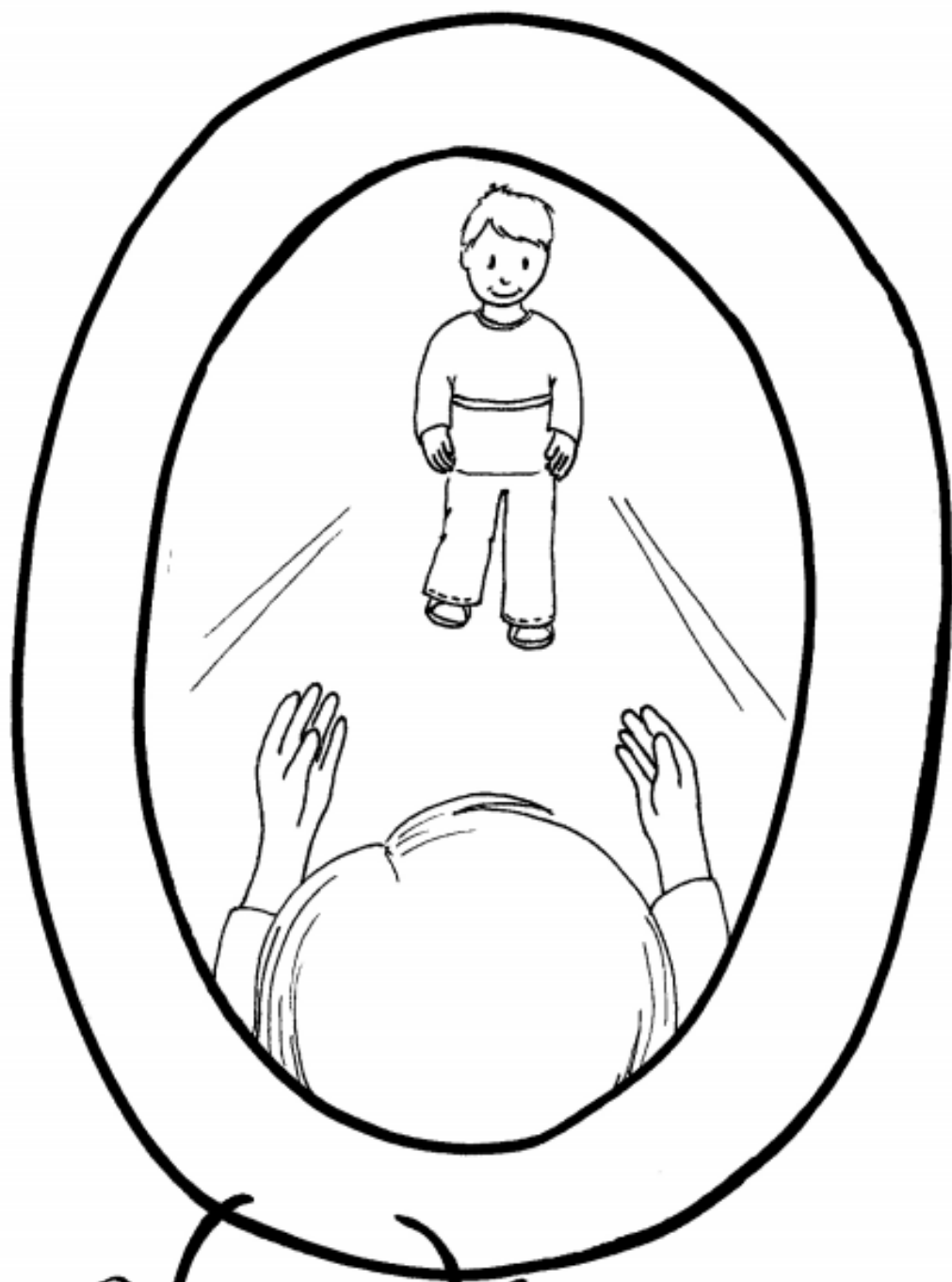
## “Bee Genuine” Stick Craft

### You will need:

- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Paper or cardstock
- Markers or crayons
- Verse caption or extra decoration (optional)
- Popsicle sticks
- Pipe cleaners, googly eyes, or other extra decorations.



- Cut the paper into oval “bee” shapes.
- Cut out some “wings” aswell.
- Decorate the ovals with stripes and faces to resemble bees.
- Add antennae if desired.
- Add a verse, caption, or label on the bees and/or popsicle sticks.
- Glue the bees onto the popsicle sticks and wave for a fun reminder to “Bee” real!



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