Key Word: Discovery

## Light Or Dark?

Key Verse: For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. John 3:20

Taylor loved to read. He went to the library nearly every week and took out one or two new books. He loved to sit in his beanbag chair and read, pretending he was in the story with the other characters.

One rainy afternoon he was reading a mystery book and he suddenly thought about something that was a pattern. Every time something came up missing or something bad happened it was in the dark of the night.

That evening at supper, Taylor thought he should talk to his parents about what he had discovered. "I have a question," he began, "in all of the books I've been reading, why is it that the bad guys always do bad stuff at night?"

His dad always liked to make him think things out. "Why do you think?" he asked.


Taylor was silent for a moment then he said, "I know. In the dark they think they are hidden. They think they can do bad things and no one will know. But that is not true. God sees them, even in the dark. Jesus said for us to come into the light."
"That is true," said Taylor's mom. "That means we should obey the commandments and do as Jesus says. Jesus is the light of the world."

After that, Taylor still read all different kinds of books, but he knew which of the characters were followers of Jesus, and which ones were not.

## Questions

What did Taylor notice about his mystery books?

What does Jesus mean when he says, "Those who do what is true come to the light"?



## Make A Square

With a friend, take turns connecting lines between the dots to form squares. When your line makes a square, you get that square. Write your initial in it, and then you get another turn. The one with the most squares wins.

## Word Search

Below is a verse from today's Gospel story. Each word is also in the word search puzzle. If a word is used twice in the verse, then it is used twice in the puzzle. The first word is done for you.

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"EOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON, SO THAT EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM MAY NOT PERISH BUT MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE."

## Fill In The Space

Place one letter of the alphabet in the blank space to make a word from today's Gospel story. Words are at least 5 letters long. Use each alphabet letter only once. We have included an alphabet chart to mark off the letters as you use them. Two have already been done for you.

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