



Buried Treasure?

Unearth God's riches this Bible Sunday

Welcome to your Bible Sunday resource pack!

This year's Bible Sunday theme '*Buried Treasure?*' is about unearthing the Bible's riches in order to know God better and live his way. Remember that Bible Sunday is officially on 26 October in the Church of Ireland and 7th December in the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, but if you prefer, you can choose another Sunday that suits your church.

At the heart of the materials is Psalm 119, a celebration of God's words.

The resources are easy to use, straightforward and adaptable to your circumstances. So you should have everything to plan a Bible Sunday service, whether you are planning an all-age or a traditional worship service. Simply choose what suits your church – for Sunday services, home groups or youth groups.

Feel free to email us at julie@bsni.co.uk or call 9032 6577 to order any extra resources (or if you have any trouble with the downloads.) Here are some suggestions:

- Gift envelopes (for a church offering). Using the Gift Aid declaration on envelopes will increase the value and impact of gifts
- 'Truth' leaflets. These give a general background to Bible Society Work and are available for distribution to your congregation.
- The latest *Word at Work* Magazines.
- Bible Kids Club magazines for Primary School Children (best for KS2).

Unlock the Bible's treasures for others

There are two ways to share the treasure this year.

1. Encourage your church to take part in Bible Monday – Bible Society's Take Your Bible to Work Day – the day after Bible Sunday. Put your Bible in your bag, download the Bible for your iPod, listen to a CD of readings in the car instead of local radio, or stick a post-it verse on your computer. However you do it, take your Bible with you!
2. Use your church's gifts to help children and young people all over the world unlock the Bible's treasure for themselves. This year, Bible Sunday gifts will provide Bibles for young people – like those in Jamaica's Sidewalk Sunday Schools.

So enjoy unearthing God's riches this Bible Sunday. Remember to let us know how you get on by emailing julie@bsni.co.uk or by filling in the questionnaire provided. Your comments will help us prepare even better resources for Bible Sunday 2009.

