



**The Special Gifts of Summer**

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**REMEMBER**

May his name endure forever; as long as the sun shines, may his fame increase. – Psalm 72:17

**READ**

Summer is a time for enjoying the sunny world God made! And whether you're at the beach, the lake, a pool, or just running through the sprinkler, a lot of your summer fun involves water. The Bible tells us that Jesus offers a more important kind of water. In John 4:13-14, Jesus says, "Whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again—ever! In fact, the water I will give him will become a well of water springing up within him for eternal life." So although that cold glass of water feels great on a hot summer day, Jesus' living water offers something even better—eternal life with Him!

**THINK**

1. Why do you think God chose to make four different seasons? Why not just one? Or five?
2. If you could do one special thing all summer, what would it be?
3. Think about summer memories with your family. Which one is your favorite?
4. List three of God's blessings that you can only enjoy in the summertime.
5. Summer vacation usually means that families have extra time together. Can you think of a way your family can use that time to do something special for Jesus?

**DO**

Make an ocean in a bottle.

1. Fill a small water bottle about halfway with water.
2. Add a few drops of blue food coloring to the water and then add enough cooking oil to fill the bottle most of the way.
3. Add small shells, glitter, or a bit of sand.
4. Glue the lid back on the bottle. Close tightly and allow to dry well.
5. Rock the bottle side to side to create ocean waves and remind you of all the wonderful summer blessings God has made

*When you feel the warm summer sun, thank God for His love!*