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Title: In God we Trust

Theme: Never hide your sins from God; instead confess them and ask Him to forgive you.

Object: Coins and bills of US money. Foreign coins for comparison.

Text: Psalm 20:7 NIV - 7 Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.

This is one of the many psalms written by David, the boy who killed the giant Goliath and later became king of Israel.

Here David reveals how he was victorious in all the battles he had to fight.

He trusted in the Lord, and God helped him to win.

David was no match for Goliath physically. Goliath was much bigger and stronger. He had a giant spear and a giant sword.

But David had a secret weapon on his side. He trusted in the name of the Lord, the God of Israel.

Who won the fight between David and Goliath? David.

Even though Goliath was way bigger and way stronger, God gave little David the victory.

So David wrote this Psalm and said that when people go into battle, dome trust in chariots and some trust in horses, but he trusts in the LORD our God.

Now today, we don’t go to battle with horses and chariots, but many people trust their money instead of God.

Well, I brought some money with me today, and I want you to look very carefully at it this morning.

Who can tell me what kind of a coin this is? [Hold up each in turn of a penny, a nickel, a dime, and a quarter. Tell how much each is worth.]

Now if you look very carefully at each of these coins, you will find the same thing written on each one.

[Get out the iphone magnifier and show the writing on one of the coins. Ask them to find it on the front of all the others. Show them “IN GOD WE TRUST” on the back of a dollar bill.]

Do you know that all American money says In God we Trust?

It first appeared on US coins in 1864 and it has appeared on paper currency since 1957.

If you were to go to another country and look at their money, it would not say that.

[Let them examine the foreign coins to see that they say nothing about trusting in God.]

Now lots of people trust in their money.

But what does the money say? It says trust in God!

Money can never buy eternal life.

In fact, when we die, we leave it all to someone else.

But is we trust in God like our money says, and we have Jesus as our Savior, God will forgive our sins and give us eternal life.

Trusting in God gives us something that money can never buy.

To have true success in life, we need to trust in God.

How many want to trust in God rather than in money?

Now I’m going to give each of you a nickel.

I want you to take it home and put it in a place you will see it every day.

When you see it, remember what it says: “In God we Trust.”

And just like God gave David success in all his battles, God will make your life successful when you trust in Him.