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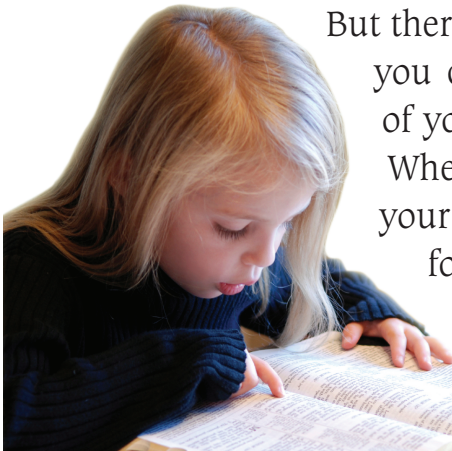
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# Introduction

Young children,

Do you know that you own something that is priceless? This treasure that you own is worth more than all of the clothes, food, and toys that you have. It is more valuable than the home where you live. In fact, it is worth more than the whole world! The priceless thing that you own is your soul—the spiritual part of you that you cannot see. You can see your body and touch your skin.

But there is a part of you that you cannot see. This part of you is called your soul. When your body dies, your soul continues to live forever. Because your soul lives forever, it is very important.



Because our souls are so important, God says, “Keep thy soul diligently” (Deuteronomy 4:9). God then tells us that the way to be diligent in taking care of our souls is to remember the things that God has taught us. And this is why Psalm 119:11 says, “Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.” It is very important for us to know that the main way to take care of our souls is to believe and treasure what God has to say to us in the Bible.

The book that you are reading gives a number of Bible verses for you to hide in your heart. Because the Bible is important for the life of your soul, and because each Bible verse in this devotional book begins with a different letter of the



alphabet, we call this book *God's Alphabet for Life*. As you read this book, we want to encourage you to do a few things to help hide these Bible verses in your heart.

First, try to memorize the Bible verses at the beginning of each devotional. It is hard to hide something we do not have. In the same way, it is



hard to hide verses in your heart if there are not verses there. So, pray for God to help you remember the Bible verses. Keep saying them until you can remember the words without looking.

Second, try to understand the Bible verses. If we memorize something but do not know what it means, then we have only stored letters and sounds in our head. So, try to think about each verse that you memorize. We explain each of the verses for you in this devotional. Pray that God would help you understand His Word.

Third, trust the verses that you memorize. We hide things that are important to us because we do not want them to slip away. In order to hide God's Word in your heart, it must be very important to you. Your soul will not get much good from the Bible if you do not trust God to use it to save you from your sin. Pray to God and ask Him to help you believe His Word with all your heart. Also, ask Him to use His Word to bring life to your soul.

If you believe that your soul is the most valuable thing you own, you will be sure to take care of it. This little book can help you guard your heart. We pray that God will use it to save your heart from the evil works of sin. Will you also pray that God will help you guard your heart as you hide His Word there?



Ask, and it  
shall be  
given you.

— MATTHEW 7:7a



DEAR CHILDREN, have you ever wondered how many books there are in the world? There are so many it seems as though it would be impossible to count them. There is one book that is different from all the other books in the world. This book is very special—it is the Bible.

What makes the Bible so special and different from all the other books? The Bible is special because it is God's Word. Other books are the thoughts and words of people, but the Bible is, from the beginning to the end, the thoughts and words of a holy God. God did not write the Bible Himself with His own hand, but He put His words within the