



Use this object lesson to celebrate Bible Sunday, November 23, 2003.

Objects: Bible, baseball mitt or fan gear from a local sports team, backpack or duffel bag. You will also need to borrow some popular children's books, new movies, videos/DVDs, CDs, computer games, e-mail printouts and Web-site printouts of popular TV shows.



Scripture: 2 Kings 22.

Lesson: (*Hold your Bible open as you tell the story from 2 Kings 22.*) The people in the story became careless and forgot God's Word until it was lost to them. You can become careless with God's Word today too.

Do you sometimes do just what your friends do instead of reading about your forever friend Jesus in the Bible? (*Cover the Bible with each of the following items as you mention them.*) Maybe you take time to read a *popular book*, watch a *movie*, go to *ball practice* or surf a *Web site* but hardly ever read God's Word. Maybe your time is filled with listening to *music*, playing *video games* and going to *sleepovers* and you don't have any time left to read the Bible.

When the people of 2 Kings finally found God's Word again, they had to admit their sin and start obeying Him. What about you? If your Bible is buried and lost under all the other stuff in your life—if you are not giving it the time and attention it deserves—why don't you do what the people in our story did? Admit your sin; then ask God to help you read and obey the Bible every day!

—Adapted