



Good News Scavenger Hunt

Choose your six locations, then print what each person needs

BEFORE THE DAY

Type your six locations into the table below. They fill in everywhere else automatically — every station on this guide *and* every clue card at the back. Do that first, then print. Each station tells you what to set up there.

What to print: this page is yours — print it once. Pages 2–4 are the teacher guide, one per teacher. Pages 5–9 are the clue cards, one set per group. Running several groups at once? Leave a small stack at each station.

STATION	WHAT IT NEEDS TO BE	YOUR LOCATION
Station 0 Home Base	A classroom or large-group room where every group starts.	
Station 1 Play Area	A playground, gym, or wherever your kids play freely.	
Station 2 Target Game	An aiming game — cornhole, darts, archery, buckets and balls. Out of sight of Station 1.	
Station 3 The Cross	A wooden cross you can hammer a nail into. Two boards will do.	
Station 4 Open Space	A large open area with room to run an active game.	
Station 5 Response Room	A classroom quiet enough to hold their attention.	

WHAT TO GATHER

Your target game • a wooden cross and one long nail • quarter-sheet paper strips and pencils, one per student • Good News Response Cards, one per student • the cut-out clue cards, plus tape or something to weight them down.



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Do the activity at each station, then find and read the clue to the next one

0

STATION 0 Home Base

LOCATION _____

THE CARD THEY ARE HANDED

Q GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT Start Here

Romans 5:10-11

"For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God."

God wants to be your friend. Where do you go to play with your friends?

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SET UP One **Start Here** card per group. This is the only card you do not hide.

DO Hand out the **Start Here** card and read Romans 5:10-11 aloud together.

ASK "Where do you go to play with your friends?" Let them answer it.

GO Lead them to _____ (Station 1)

1

STATION 1 The Play Area

LOCATION _____

THE CLUE THEY WILL FIND HERE

Q GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT Clue 1

Romans 3:23

"For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard."

_____ (Station 2) is a game where you hit a target.

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SET UP Hide **Clue 1** anywhere in the area.

SAY "God loves me and wants me to be his friend forever. Take a few minutes and play with your friends!"

HUNT Turn them loose to find **Clue 1**. Have whoever finds it read it aloud.

GO _____ (Station 2)

2

STATION 2 The Target Game

LOCATION _____

THE CLUE THEY WILL FIND HERE

Q GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT Clue 2

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

"Let me now remind you, dear brothers and sisters, of the Good News I preached to you before... It is this Good News that saves you... Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said."

_____ (Station 3), find the thing that Jesus died on.

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SET UP Your target game, with **Clue 2** hidden on it — under a cornhole board, behind the target, inside a bucket.

DO To illustrate what "sin" is, we are going to play a target game. One of the ways we can understand sin is the idea of a target (like a bow and arrow, or cornhole). God's standard is righteousness and when we sin we "miss the mark." Let everyone take a turn at the target.

SAY "Even though I disobey God (that's called sin), he made a way for me to be forgiven."

HUNT Find **Clue 2** and have a student read it aloud.

GO _____ (Station 3)

3

STATION 3
The Cross

LOCATION _____

THE CLUE THEY WILL FIND HERE

GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT

Clue 3

Acts 2:38

"Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins."

Go to _____ where you can run and play

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SET UP

The cross with one long nail hammered partway in. Paper strips and pencils beside it. **Clue 3** weighted down nearby.

DO

Each student writes something they do that is a sin on a paper strip, then pushes it onto the nail.

SAY

"He sent his Son Jesus to earth to live a perfect life, die on the cross for my sins, and rise again because he has power over sin and death."

HUNT

Once everyone has had a turn, find **Clue 3** and have a student read it aloud.

GO

_____ (Station 4)

4

STATION 4
The Wide-Open Space

LOCATION _____

THE CLUE THEY WILL FIND HERE

GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT

Clue 4

Romans 10:9-10

"If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved."

Go to _____ (Station 5)

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SET UP

Nothing for the game. **Clue 4** weighted down at the edge of the space.

SAY

"I can repent of my sins and put God in charge of my life so I can become more like Jesus. Repent means to turn around and do the opposite, or go in the opposite direction. To help you understand, we're going to play a game of 'What Time Is It Mr. Wolf?'"

PLAY

"What Time Is It, Mr. Wolf?"

The **Wolf** stands at the end of the play area with their back turned. The kids ask, "What's the time, Mr. Wolf?" The wolf answers with a time ("3 o'clock!") and the kids take that many steps forward. When the wolf turns around and shouts "Dinner time!" everyone runs back to safety before being tagged.

SAY

"When we repent, we turn around and go the opposite direction. We stop doing the wrong thing and turn and start doing the correct thing."

HUNT

After the game, find **Clue 4** and have a student read it aloud.

GO

_____ (Station 5)

5

STATION 5

The Response Room

LOCATION

AT THIS STATION

No clue card here — this is the last stop.

SET UP

Good News Response Cards in the room, one per student.

SAY

“God is ready to give me eternal life and save me right now.”

TELL

Tell a short, couple of minute, story of when you, yourself, confessed Jesus as Lord of your life.

SAY

“I prayed a prayer like this. When you are ready, this is how you can pray.”

PRAY

“Jesus, I’m so happy that you love me and you want me to live with you forever. I confess to you that I disobey you. I sin by doing things that I know are wrong. But I believe that you sent your Son Jesus to earth to die for my sins and that he rose from the grave 3 days later to prove that he has power over sin and death. I repent of my sins and ask that you take charge of my life. I want to follow you and become more like you. I want you to save me, forgive me of my sins and make me right with you. Amen.”

DO

Give each student a **Good News Response Card** to take home.

CLUE
0

HAND OUT AT STATION 0 • HOME BASE

Start Here

1. Print one per group, then cut along the dashed line.
2. Give one to each teacher.

 CUT ALONG THIS LINE

GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT

[Start Here](#)

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CLUE
1

HIDE AT STATION 1 • PLAY AREA

Clue 1

1. Print one per group, then cut along the dashed line.
2. Hide it anywhere in the play area.

 CUT ALONG THIS LINE GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT

Clue 1

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you hit a target.

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CLUE
2

HIDE AT STATION 2 • TARGET GAME

Clue 2

1. Print one per group, then cut along the dashed line.
2. Tape it on the game — under a cornhole board, behind the target.

 CUT ALONG THIS LINE GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT

Clue 2

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

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CLUE
3

HIDE AT STATION 3 • THE CROSS

Clue 3

1. Print one per group, then cut along the dashed line.
2. Weight it down near the cross, within the teacher's reach.

 CUT ALONG THIS LINE GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT

Clue 3

Acts 2:38

“Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins.”

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CLUE
4

HIDE AT STATION 4 • OPEN SPACE

Clue 4

1. Print one per group, then cut along the dashed line.
2. Weight it down at the edge of the space.

 CUT ALONG THIS LINE GOOD NEWS SCAVENGER HUNT

Clue 4

Romans 10:9-10

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