

LIAR, LIAR

BIG IDEA

Aananius and Sapphira lied to God about about the amount of money they received from their land. With swift judgment, God took their lives.

KEY VERSES

Psalm 51:6

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 51:6

“But you desire honesty from the heart, so you can teach me to be wise in my inmost being.”

• PREPARATION & MATERIALS •

BIBLE SKIT

- Cast 6 people: Barnabas, Narrator #1, Narrator #2, Ananias, Peter
- No props needed

GAME

- Plastic cups (6 cups per team of 4 kids)
- Rubber bands (one per team)
- Strong sting or yarn (4 eight inch pieces per team of 4 kids)

CRAFT

- Felt, one 8 inch circle per child
- Leather cord, ribbon or rope, 24” per child
- Coins (optional)
- Experience Mission provides scissors, hole punch, stapler, staples, rulers

WORKSHEETS

- Photocopies of Coloring Sheet (1 per child)



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BIBLE LESSON • SKIT

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SCRIPT

Narrator #1: The early Christian church was a very caring place,
Narrator #2: I love you, man!
Narrator #1: I love you, too, dude!
Narrator #2: People sold their stuff and then gave the money away.
Narrator #1: Here you go!
Narrator #2: Thank you!
Narrator #1: You're welcome.
Narrator #2: Nobody was rich...
Narrator #1: ...and nobody was poor...
Narrator #2: ...because everyone cared for everyone else.
Narrator #1: Very nice!
Narrator #2: They prayed and ate together.
Narrator #1: Yummy!
Narrator #2: They worshiped and learned together.
Narrator #1: Praise the Lord
Narrator #2: It was an amazing place.
Narrator #1: Very cool!
Narrator #2: But it wasn't a perfect place,
Narrator #1: Oh, well...
Narrator #2: Because it was filled with imperfect people.
Narrator #1: One day, a man named Barnabas...
Narrator #2: We'll call him Barny.
Narrator #1: ...sold his land and gave the money to the poor.
Barnabas: (singing to the tune of "This Old Man") I love you, you love me, I gave you all my money! With a great big sale of everything I owned. Now you can pay off your loans!
Narrator #1: (to Barnabas) Why, thank you!
Barnabas: (to Narrator #1) You're welcome!
Narrator #1: Soon after that, a man named Ananias,
Ananias: Howdy!
Narrator #2: And his wife, Sapphira,
Sapphira: Hey, there!
Narrator #1: Sold their land, too.

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Ananias: Um, Sapphira?
Sapphira: Yes, Ananias?
Ananias: Let's keep some of the money for ourselves.
Sapphira: I don't know...
Ananias: How about we give MOST of the money to the church and keep just SOME of it.
Sapphira: Well, maybe...
Ananias: We'll just tell them it's the whole amount.
Sapphira: But isn't that lying?
Ananias: I like to call it "creative accounting."
Sapphira: Oh, I see.
Ananias: C'mon. We'll be just like Barnabas.
Sapphira: Yah, everybody loves good ol' Barney.
Ananias: Yeah! (Singing) I love you, you love me, we'll keep lost of our money! And we'll tell our friends that we gave the whole price, and all those folks will think we're nice!

Narrator #2: So Ananias took some of the money to Peter.
Ananias: Howdy, Peter!
Peter: Hi there, Ananias.
Ananias: Here's some money for the church! We sold our land, just like Barnabas did.
Peter: I see.
Ananias: And here's the money we got!
Peter: Hmm...Is that all of it?
Ananias: Of course!
Peter: This is ALL the money you got for the land?
Ananias: Yes.
Peter: Are you sure?
Ananias: Positive!
Peter: Absolutely?
Ananias: Absolutely, positively! Posi-lutely, abso-tively sure!
Peter: Well then, Ananias, you made one mistake.
Ananias: What's that?
Peter: You for got that sometimes God talks to me.
Ananias: Uh-oh.
Peter: And I know you've lied.
Ananias: Oopsy.
Peter: But not just to me, you lied to God!

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Ananias: This is not going according to plan...

Peter: Ananias, the land was yours! You could have done whatever you wanted with the money!

Ananias: Yah but...

Peter: But you chose to lie, and for that you will die.

Ananias: (Collapse on the ground as if dead.)

Narrator #1: Ananias died right there on the spot.

Narrator #2: Some young men took him away and buried him.

Narrator #1: About three hours later, Sapphira came in.

Narrator #2: She didn't know what had happened.

Sapphira: (Hum or whistle "This Old Man") Hi there Peter!

Peter: Hi there, Sapphira.

Sapphira: We sold our land, just like Barnabas did.

Peter: Not this again....

Sapphira: You got the money, right?

Peter: Hmmm...Is tis all of it?

Sapphira: Of course!

Peter: This is ALL the money you got for the land?

Sapphira: Yes.

Peter: Are you sure?

Sapphira: Positive!

Peter: Absolutely?

Sapphira: Absolutely, positively! Posi-lutely, abso-tively sure!

Peter: Well then, Sapphira, you made the same mistake your husband made.

Sapphira: What's that?

Peter: You forgot that sometimes God talks to me.

Sapphira: Uh-oh.

Peter: And I know you've lied.

Sapphira: Oopsy....

Peter: But not just to me, you lied to God!

Sapphira: This is not going according to plan...

Peter: Sapphira, the land was yours! You could have done whatever you wanted with the money!

Sapphira: Yah, but....

Peter: But you chose to lie, just like your husband, and for that you will die...just like your husband.

Sapphira: (Collapse to the ground)

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BIBLE LESSON • SKIT (PAGE 4)

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- Narrator #2: Many people in the early church were scared when they heard the story of Ananias and Sapphira.
- Narrator #1: I'm scared.
- Narrator #2: You should be.
- Narrator #1: Oh.
- Narrator #2: They learned that we cannot lie to God.
- Narrator #1: God knows all our secrets.
- Narrator #2: And he doesn't want us acting more spiritual than we really are.
- Narrator #1: God wants honesty, from the heart.
- Narrator #2: When Ananias and Sapphira died, the people learned that lesson.
- Narrator #1: And it's a lesson we still need to remember, today.
- Everyone: The end!

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What was special about the early Christian church?
- Was it wrong for a person to have land?
- Was it wrong for a person to sell their land?
- Was it wrong to keep the money from selling the land?
- What did Ananias and Sapphira do that was wrong?
- What are some other ways that people can have dishonest hearts?
- Can we get away with lying to other people?
- Can we get away with lying to God?
- Do you think people can have dishonest hearts and not even know it?
- Who can help us know see the dishonesty in our hearts and can wash our hearts clean?

SIMPLIFIED LESSON OPTIONS

- *Tell the account of Ananias and Sapphira in simple story form or read it from a children's bible.*
- *Ask 2-3 of the simpler discussion questions.*

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LECCIÓN DE LA BIBLIA • SATÍRICO

Gran idea: Ananías y Safira mintieron a Dios acerca de la cantidad de dinero que recibieron de la venta de sus tierras. Con sentencia rápida, Dios tomó su vida.

Versículo de Memoria: Pero usted desea honestidad desde el corazón, para que me enseñes a ser prudente en mi ser íntimo. Salmo 51:6

Elenco: 6 personas. Bernabé, Narrador # 1, # 2 Narrador, Safira, Ananías, Pedro

Accesorios: ninguno

Narrador 1: La iglesia cristiana era un lugar muy cariñoso,
Narrador 2: Te amo, hombre!
Narrador 1: Te amo, también, dude!
Narrador 2: La gente vendió sus cosas y luego dieron el dinero.
Narrador 1: Aquí tienes!
Narrador # 2: ¡Gracias!
Narrador 1: De nada.
Narrador 2: Nadie era rico ...
Narrador 1: ... y nadie era pobre ...
Narrador 2: ... porque todos se preocupaba por los demás.
Narrador 1: Muy bien!
Narrador 2: Rezaron y comían juntos.
Narrador 1: Yummy!
Narrador 2: Ellos adoraban y aprendieron juntos.
Narrador 1: Alaben al Señor
Narrador 2: Fue un lugar increíble.
Narrador 1: Muy cool!
Narrador 2: Pero no era un lugar perfecto
Narrador 1: Oh, pues ...
Narrador 2: Porque estaba lleno de gente imperfecta.
Narrador 1: Un día, un hombre llamado Bernabé ...
Narrador 2: Lo llamaremos Barny.
Narrador 1: ... vendió su tierra y le dio el dinero a los pobres.
Bernabé: (cantando al ritmo de "este hombre viejo") Te amo, tu me amas, te di todo mi dinero! Con una enorme venta de todo lo que tenía. Ahora pueden pagar sus préstamos!
Narrador 1: (a Bernabé) Vaya, gracias!

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LECCIÓN DE LA BIBLIA • SATÍRICO (2)

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Bernabé: (a Narrador # 1) No hay de qué!

Narrador 1: Poco después, un hombre llamado Ananías,

Ananías: ¡Hola!

Narrador 2: Y su esposa, Safira,

Safira: Oye!

Narrador 1: Vendió su tierra, también.

Ananías: Um, Safira,?

Safira,: Sí, Ananías?

Ananías: Vamos a mantener una parte del dinero para nosotros mismos.

Safira,: No sé ...

Ananías: ¿Qué tal si le damos la mayoría de el dinero a la iglesia, y guardamos sólo parte de ella.

Safira: Bueno, tal vez ...

Ananías: Sólo tendremos que decirles que es la cantidad entera.

Safira: ¿Pero no estamos mintiendo?

Ananías: Me gusta llamarlo "contabilidad creativa".

Safira: Oh, ya veo.

Ananías: Vamos. Estaremos igual que Bernabé.

Safira: Yah, todo el mundo ama el viejo de Barney

Ananías: ¡Sí! (Cantando) Te amo, tu me amas, vamos a seguir perdiendo nuestro dinero! Y vamos a decir les a nuestros amigos que dimos todo el dinero, y toda esa gente va pensar que somos buenos!

Narrador 2: Ananías llevó una parte del dinero a Pedro.

Ananías: ¡Hola Pedro!

Pedro: Hola, Ananías.

Ananías: Aquí hay un poco de dinero para la iglesia! Vendimos nuestra tierra, como lo hizo Bernabé

Pedro: Ya veo.

Ananías: Y aquí está el dinero que nos dieron!

Pedro: Hmm ... ¿Eso es todo?

Ananías: ¡Por supuesto!

Pedro: Es todo el dinero que por la tierra?

Ananías: Si.

Pedro: ¿Está seguro?

Ananías: Positivo!

Pedro: Por supuesto?

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LECCIÓN DE LA BIBLIA • SATÍRICO (3)

lección 4

Ananías: Absolutamente, positivamente! Posi-tamente, abso-mente seguro!

Pedro: Bueno, entonces, Ananías, usted cometió un error.

Ananías: ¿Qué es eso?

Pedro: Se le olvidó que a veces Dios habla a mí.

Ananías: Uh-oh.

Pedro: Y sé que has mentido

Ananías: Oopsy.

Pedro: Pero no sólo a mí, usted mintió a Dios!

Ananías: Esto no va de acuerdo al plan ...

Pedro: Ananías, la tierra era suya! Se podría haber hecho lo que quería con el dinero!

Ananías: Pero ...

Pedro: Pero usted eligió mentir, y por eso va a morir.

Ananías: (Se cayó en el suelo como si estuviera muerto.)

Narrador 1: Ananías murió allí mismo, en el acto.

Narrador 2: Algunos jóvenes lo llevaron y lo enterraron.

Narrador 1: Unas tres horas después entró Safira

Narrador 2: Ella no sabía lo que había pasado.

Safira: (Hum o silbato "Este viejo hombre") ¡Hola Pedro!

Pedro: Hola, Safira.

Safira: Hemos vendido nuestra tierra, como lo hizo Bernabé

Pedro: No de nuevo

Safira: ¿Tienes el dinero, ¿no?

Pedro: Hmmm ... ¿Es todo?

Safira: ¡Por supuesto!

Pedro: Es todo el dinero por la tierra?

Safira: Sí.

Pedro: ¿Está segura?

Safira: Positiva!

Pedro: Por supuesto?

Safira: Absolutamente, positivamente! Posi-tamente, abso-mente seguro!

Pedro: Bueno, entonces, Safira, usted cometió el mismo error que su marido hizo.

Safira: ¿Qué es eso?

Pedro: Se le olvido que a veces Dios me habla.

Sapphira: Uh-oh.

Pedro: Y sé que has mentido.

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LECCIÓN DE LA BIBLIA • SATÍRICO (4)

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Sapphira: Oopsy....
Pedro: Pero no sólo a mí, usted mintió a Dios!
Safira: Esto no va de acuerdo al plan ...
Pedro: Safira, la tierra era suya! Se podría haber hecho lo que quería con el dinero!
Safira: Si, pero
Pedro: Pero usted eligió mentir, al igual que su marido, y por eso va a morir ... al igual que su marido.
Safira: (cae al suelo)
Narrador 2: Mucha gente en la iglesia se asustaron cuando oyeron la historia de Ananías y Safira.
Narrador 1: Tengo miedo.
Narrador 2: Usted debe tener.
Narrador 1: Oh.
Narrador 2: Se enteraron de que no podemos mentir a Dios.
Narrador 1: Dios conoce todos nuestros secretos.
Narrador 2: Y él no quiere que actúe más espiritual de lo que realmente somos.
Narrador 1: Dios quiere honestidad, desde el corazón.
Narrador 2: Cuando murió Ananías y Safira, las personas aprendieron esa lección.
Narrador 1: Y es una lección que todavía tenemos que recordar, hoy.
Todos: El final!

Preguntas de discusión

- ¿Qué tuvo de especial la primera iglesia cristiana?
- ¿Es malo que una persona tenga tierra?
- ¿Estaba mal para una persona vender su tierra?
- ¿Estaba mal quedarse con el dinero de la venta de la tierra?
- ¿Qué hicieron Ananías y Safira que estuvo mal?
- ¿Cuáles son algunas otras maneras en que la gente puede tener corazones deshonestos?
- ¿Podemos escapar de mentir a los demás?
- ¿Podemos escapar de mentir a Dios?
- ¿Cree usted que la gente puede tener corazones deshonestos y no saberlo?
- ¿Quién puede ayudarnos a saber ver la falta de honradez en nuestros corazones y se puede lavar nuestros corazones limpios?

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CRAFT

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OBJECTIVE: COIN POUCH

Make a felt coin bag.

DIRECTIONS

About 1/2 inch from the top of your circle, mark the felt in 1" intervals. This is where the holes for the cord will go. Using the tip of the scissors, or a small hole punch, make slits or holes in the felt all the way around where you've marked the fabric.

Start weaving the cord, ribbon or rope in and out of the holes. Leave about 4" of the cord hanging out of the first hole. Continue weaving in and out.

Make sure both ends of the cord are sticking out of the same side once the cord reaches all the way around the felt.

Pull the pouch together (cord ends should be on the outside).

Optional: Add coins and tie closed.

MATERIALS PROVIDED BY EM

- Scissors, staplers, hole punches

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Felt, one 8 inch circle per child
- Leather cord, ribbon or rope, 24" per child
- Coins, stickers, small toy (optional)
- Experience Mission provides scissors, hole punch, stapler, staples, rulers

EXAMPLE



SIMPLIFIED CRAFT OPTIONS

- *Cut the small holes for the cord prior to Kids Club*
- *Roll a piece of tape around one end of the ribbon or cord for easier weaving in and out of the holes*

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GAME

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OBJECTIVE: NO HANDS CUP STACK

Kids work in teams of 4 to stack their cups into a pyramid without using their hands!

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Plastic or paper cups (6 cups per team of 4 kids)
- Rubber bands (one per team)
- Strong string or yarn (4 eight inch pieces per team of 4 kids)

PRE-GAME DIRECTIONS

- Divide children into teams of 4
- Give each team 6 cups, one rubber band, and 4 pieces of string
- Have kids place cups upside down on the floor
- Have each child tie the end of a piece of string to the rubberband.
- When preparation is complete have kids sit by their cups with their hands on their heads.

GAME PLAY

- Kids race to build a pyramid out of their cups, three on the bottom, two in the middle, one on top.
- Kids may only use the rubberband and string to move the cups.
- By working together each child can gently pull on a string causing the rubberband to stretch.
- By placing the stretched rubberband around the cup and then releasing the pressure, kids will be able to hold and move the cup.
- First team to stack their cups into a pyramid wins!
 - Modify the second round by having the cups start on the ground, open side up.
 - Modify the third round by having all the cups start across the room in a giant mound.



SIMPLIFIED GAME OPTIONS

- Tie the pieces of string to the rubber bands prior to Kids Club
- OR teams build pyramids using just one finger per player

DEAR, YOU KEEP THAT PART OF THE MONEY.
THEY WILL NEVER KNOW!

