

Tell the Next Generation



Story # 105: God punishes two who lied to Him

Scripture:

Acts 4:32-5:11

What does this say about God and man?

- God knows everything
He sees what is in your heart, the good and the bad (v. 4) and always knows when you lie and when you tell the truth
- Man cannot love money and trust God at the same time
- Because God is holy and righteous, He punishes sin
Death is the payment for sin. God punishes those who lie to Him. Those who lie to Him deserve to die
- Because God judges sin, we should fear Him

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES: Below are questions and responses to help you and your child interact with the Scripture passage, and to solicit a personal response from both of you to the truths of the Bible story. Please allow the Holy Spirit to guide you to further questions and responses.

- * Ananias and Sapphira had a secret that nobody else knew. (Discuss what they did.) Do you ever have a secret—maybe something you did, that nobody saw, or something you think that you've never told anybody? We all have secrets, sometimes.
- * But there was somebody that knew Ananias' and Sapphira's secret. (God knew, and God told Peter.) Ananias and Sapphira were trying to keep their secret, not only from Peter and the apostles; they were trying to trick God. They did not admit their secret but God knew exactly what they were doing.
- * Can you **ever** keep a secret from God? No, God always knows what you are doing. What about things you just think about? Can God see what you're thinking? Mom and Dad and other people can't see what you're thinking, but God can and does see all that we do and all that is inside us—good and bad.
- * Are there any secrets you want to tell God now? (Read I John 1:8-10; discuss and pray.)