

Children's Sermon for Sept. Sept.8 (based on Luke 14:25-33)

Items needed: doormat or small rug: electric lamp without lampshade, several books that have large covers.

After kids come up, put out mat on the floor. Show the kids the lamp, ask them what it is, and what it's for. Turn on light and carefully put lamp down so the bulb is resting on the mat. Then show the books, Open each book, one at a time, and lay each over the light bulb. Would the light from the lamp help us to read the books---no, because the books block the light of the lamp. But if I raise up the lamp over all the books (set lamp upright), then the light shines, and we can use the light to read all the books. In today's Bible reading, Jesus is saying that God is kind of like this light bulb---that we need it to put God over everything else in our life, so that nothing can block the light of God from our lives.

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