

# Bible Object Lesson- Priorities

This is a powerful object lesson to show that we need to put salvation first in our list of priorities.

**Bible Verse:** Matthew 6:33  
"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

## Materials Needed:

- Permanent ink marker
- Transparent (glass) jar
- Ping pong balls (or golf balls).
- One ball, slightly larger or a different color.
- Bag of rice (or sugar or salt)
- Three small plastic bags.
- A pencil and page 2 of this lesson.



**Demonstration:**  
You can watch a video of this lesson at the following link

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ooM\\_HENiwQU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ooM_HENiwQU)

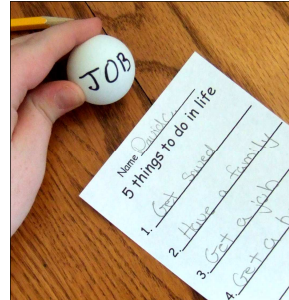
**Preparation before the students arrive:**

- 1) Put all of the ping pong balls into the jar
- 2) Fill the remaining space with rice.
- 3) Empty the jar putting the rice into the three plastic bags.



**When the students arrive:**

- 1) Give each student the paper from page 2 of this document "Five things to do in life".
- 2) Give each student a ball and ask them to write one of their "things to do" on the ball. Try to get a variety of activities. Write "saved" or "salvation" on one ball that is a different color or a different size or use a different ink.
- 3) Ask the students for three other "to do's" and write these activities on the plastic bags that are full of rice.



**Teach the lesson:**

- 1) Starting with the bags of rice put the items in the jar, reading the name on each bag as you fill.
- 2) The ping pong balls should have difficulty fitting



in. This is the learning point of the lesson—"If you do unimportant things first, you will miss the important ones. The most important thing to do in life is receive salvation through trusting in Christ."

- 3) Empty the jar, putting the rice back into the bags and the balls to one side.

- 4) Start again by putting in the most important balls first, starting with salvation.

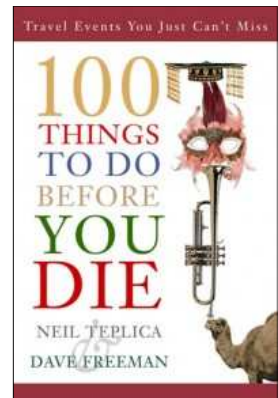


- 5) Put the remaining balls and rice into the jar. All items should fit with little remaining space.



**Other objects** that you might want to include in your lesson are:

- Cover of the book "100 things to do before you die".
- Read Luke 12, the story of the rich man who had all his plans made but was "not rich toward God".



This lesson is available on [www.gospelhall.org](http://www.gospelhall.org) and should be distributed free of charge.

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