

TERRA KIDSCAST

In this week's Kidscast, we heard the story of Jacob, Rachel, and Leah. We learned that because Leah was not viewed as being as pretty as Rachel, she was not as loved and valued by the people around her. But God saw Leah for who she truly was, and He loved her. God chose her - to love her specially, to give her a very important job. One day, God was going to rescue the whole world through Leah's family. Jesus would one day come from Leah's great-great-great grandchildren! Today's activity is going to teach us the importance of not judging people by what they look like on the outside, but rather getting to know and love them the way God knows and loves them. 1 Samuel 16:7 says, "People judge by outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

For this activity, you'll need your parents' help. Parents, grab these supplies for this activity:

- ★ Two identical (PLAIN), small gift boxes or bags
- ★ Wrapping paper, ribbon, or other means to decorate one of the boxes or bags

1. First, wrap up (or decorate) the first box super neatly and nicely. This will represent Rachel. Don't add anything to the box.
2. Next, take the plain, undecorated/wrapped box or bag and bang it up a little (can roll it in the mud or crinkle/dent it a little). Inside this box, get creative with what you put in it. You could put a cross or nativity baby Jesus.
3. Then, put the boxes right next to each other and start interacting with your child about the packages. Establish first that they are both gifts. Ask them which one they want (they will probably go right for the "pretty" one. Once they open it to see nothing is inside, let them open the other box.

This week's worship song found on the podcast - "Prince of Heaven" by Hillsong Worship

