



Object Lesson

HEALTHCARE MINISTRIES

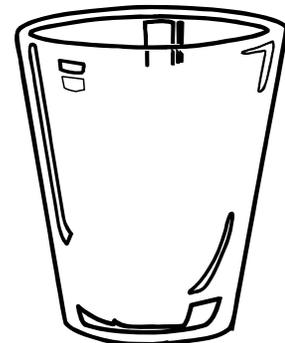
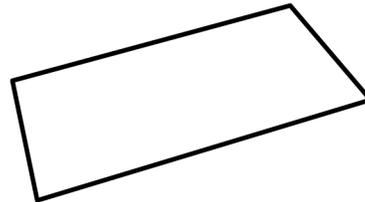
JESUS KEEPS YOU SAFE

■ Key Scripture

Psalm 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

■ Materials Needed

- A quarter
- Clear glass or cup
- Card (3 x 5-inch or large enough to cover the top of the glass)



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■ Presentation

(It is recommended that you practice this before the actual presentation.)

(Show the children the card.) **This card is going to represent the world we live in. Each one of us has different homes, families, and issues in our lives. Many times, difficult things happen to us. Scripture tells us in Psalm 46:1 that God is our refuge—or safe place—and a help in time of trouble.**

Have you ever been in trouble or needed help? *(Allow responses, or share a time when you needed help.)* **Just like us, missionaries also need help. Many times they have no one but Jesus to help them.**

(Show the children the quarter.) **This quarter is going to represent us.** *(Show the children the glass.)* **This glass represents the help that Jesus gives. The glass is a refuge or a place where Jesus keeps us safe.**

The difficult times or things that happen to us sometimes feel like they keep us from the safety of Jesus. *(Place the card over the glass and lay the quarter on top of the card.)* **While it looks that way, we know that Jesus is always present. When we pray and ask for help, Jesus is right there. Watch what happens when I quickly hit the card with my finger.** *(Flick the card with a quick motion using your index finger and thumb. The card will go flying and the quarter will land in the glass.)*

We can know that no matter what the trouble is, Jesus is always there to help us. He will keep us safe during times of trouble.

