

Sola Publishing Children’s Message Pentecost 26 – Year A		SOLA 
Hide and Seek		
Readings	1) Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 2) 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 3) Matthew 25:31-46	
Scripture Focus	Ezekiel 34:11-12	
Take Away	Coloring page	
Aids (pics, props, etc.)		
Message Have any of you ever played Hide and Seek? Who can tell me the rules? (Hopefully someone will, otherwise, it’s a game where people hide, and somebody looks for them.) Adam and Eve didn’t know it, but they played Hide and Seek with God way back in Genesis. Adam and Eve were happy in the garden and then they did something God told them not to do. God gave them the whole garden, but told them, “Don’t eat the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden.” Guess what? They did. They ate the fruit and God knew it. Later, when God was in the garden, he walked around looking for Adam and Eve, but they were hiding because they knew they did something wrong. Finally, God called, “Where are you?” See? Hide and Seek. They were hiding and God was looking for them. In his book, Ezekiel (a guy who gave messages from God in the Old Testament) said, “God says, I will search for my children and will seek them out.” No matter where we go, no matter what we do, no matter how much we don’t listen to God, if we’re mean to people, if we lie, if we do everything wrong and end up far, far away from God or hide from him. He will never give up looking for us. Never! See? We hide and God seeks. Hide and Seek! Does that make you smile? Let’s pray.		
Repeat Prayer	Dear God, No matter what we do wrong, / no matter how many mistakes we make, No matter where we hide, / no matter how far away we go, You never stop looking for us. You’re the best / at hide and seek. Thank you for loving us. We love you. Amen.	

