

IDEA CARD

YOUNG CHILDREN

Rolling in Money

Best Use

As a family night activity with younger kids

Results

Teaches the value of money and good stewardship

Advance Preparation

1. Gather 10 one-dollar bills. (Or any increment easy to divide into percentages.)
2. Create an envelope titled “God’s Instructions for Money” with several notes containing Bible passages with instructions on how to use the money.
 - Malachi 3:10 = Give 10% to God
 - Proverbs 30:24-25 = Save 10% for the future
 - Romans 13:8 = Pay your bills (List several pretend bills such the house payment, food, etc. Make sure the mock bills add up to almost the entire cash pile – leaving only a dollar or two free.)

Application

Follow the instructions on the reverse side for an unforgettable experience.

Rolling in Money Family Night

- **Step One:** Hide the pile of cash someplace in the house and invite the kids to find the secret treasure.
- **Step Two:** Invite the kids to count the treasure promising them they will be able to spend it on anything they want **AFTER** following God’s instructions for money.
- **Step Three:** Have the children count out enough one-dollar bills to meet each financial obligation described on the three notes – 10% for tithes, 10% for savings and enough for each of the “bills.”
- **Step Four:** Give each child the remaining cash to spend as they please. Needless to say, they will be a bit disappointed. But they will also better understand real-world expenses and our responsibilities as stewards of the money God gives.
- **Step Five:** End your time creating a “Stewardship Box” with three slots labeled “Give” and “Save” and “Spend” for the kids to use when they earn money or receive their allowance.

Step Six: Memorize the following jingle together...

“Before you spend away – give, save and pay.”