

All My Troubles Are Like Bubbles

Troubles? Paul had them by the truckload. Unjustly jailed multiple times. Flogged. Slandered. Cursed. Beaten with rods three times. Shipwrecked. Robbed. Hungry. Homeless. Constant death threats. The list goes on and on. His suffering was up close, personal, and intense. Almost daily.

God taught Paul that faithfulness during one pound of temporary suffering down here, gets converted into a hundred tons of permanent reward up there. That's what kept Paul going, and it's the same for you.

As you learn to fix your gaze on the eternal, God will reveal how all your **troubles** are like bubbles ready to burst. The very worst things in life down here will eventually give way to the joys of heaven up there.

Key Verse

*We don't look at the **troubles** we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.*

2 Corinthians 4:17-18

Click

Your child will now be able to say the meaning of this Bible verse in their own words.

Stick

The life application meaning of this verse is tied to the image of **bubbles**.

Click-er: Bubbles

Whenever you see, make, or think about *bubbles*, let this HoneyWord pop in your heart as it clicks and sticks.



Read 2 Corinthians 4:17-18

Make-it-Stick

Have fun making a batch of homemade bubbles to blow. Squeeze a small amount of concentrated liquid dish soap into a small glass of water. Now bend one end of a large paper clip into a circle or oval, and use it as a bubble blower. Each time you dip your blower into the suds and blow bubbles, say this HoneyWord Lesson.

Everyone Take Turns Explaining the Meaning of this Lesson in Your Own Words

Ask, "What does this lesson mean?" If the answer is in the ballpark of the correct meaning, praise that person out loud. Then ask another child to explain it. Do this 2 or 3 times in a row.

Hold Up the Click-er

Hold up the Click-er (bubbles) and say this HoneyWord Lesson out loud:

"All my troubles are like *bubbles*."

Then repeat it out loud together one more time.

Pair Up in Small Groups of Two

If you're with more than one child, have your children pair up and ask each other to say the lesson out loud to each other.

Re-Group and Recite Again

Ask one child to say the lesson one more time, and then explain what it means.

Discuss How This Truth Applies to Your Everyday Life