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## Kids HQ Lesson #7

### Materials:

- one sandwich size ziplock baggie
- 3 sharpened (very sharp) pencils.

### Lesson:

I have a very special illustration to help us understand how important it is to put our hope in Jesus! When we put our hope in anything else, we will end up disappointed.

Have you ever put your hope in something else? Like maybe...if only I get this toy I really want for my birthday then I'll be happy! Or...(give other examples).

The problem is, when we put our hope in things like that, they only make us happy for a short time. The hope "things" give us will eventually leak out of us and leave us empty and sad. However, when our hope is in Jesus...it will always last!

This ziplock baggie represents Jesus and the water represents hope (fill the sandwich bag with water). When we put our hope in Jesus, it will remain full and not leak out (zip bag shut).

However, in life, trouble and hard times will come...(take out pencils). These pencils represent trouble!!

When trouble comes, it may poke and hurt (now shove the pencils one by one through the water-filled ziplock bag so each end of the pencil is sticking out the sides of the bag full of water) but when

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our hope is in Jesus, it will never leak out and leave us empty, we will remain full (the water will remain in the bag and not leak!!!).