

## Compass

Hebrews 12:2-Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Dangers of hiking without knowing which way to go.

### Introduction Ideas

Demonstrate how a compass always points north unless a magnet is brought close to it.

Make 16 dots on the floor in a 4 by 4 square. Have an identical layout on a piece of paper with a line connecting the dots in a specific pattern. Have each person try and guess the pattern that is on the paper. If they guess incorrectly they have to go to the back of the line and the next person goes. When one person makes it across in the correct pattern, have them lead the others through by giving them directions.

### Lesson suggestions

Move from your introduction to the idea that without a compass or a map to tell us where to go we would be lost.

Object lesson: Show them how if you know the direction you should be going that a compass can help you by telling you which way you are going.

Quote and apply the Bible verse: Hebrews 12:2-Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

### Questions

How is life without Christ like hiking in the woods without a map or a compass?

We want to get some place and know where it is but have no idea if we are going the right direction leading us to all the wrong places.

How is Jesus like a compass?

A compass always points north like Jesus always points us the way to heaven which is through him.

### Closing Prayer

Jesus, you are the author and perfecter of our faith. Point us in the correct direction so that when we reach our journey's end, we can be with you. Protect us from all those things which wish to lead us away from you. In your name we pray, Amen.