



Wiki 8 – Hakihea / December 3

Kaupapa: Te haerenga mai o te Tama a te Tangata *Te Rātapu tuatahi o te haerenga mai*

Mihimihi / Introduction 10 mins

Kia ora everybody, mihi to tamariki
Icebreaker

Pānui / Reading 5min

Maaka 13: 24-37

Matiu 13: 24-37

Rārangi o te rā

“Nā, ko tāku ka mea atu nei ki a koutou, e meatia ana anō ki te katoa, ‘Kia mataara!’”
Maaka 25: 45

“And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake!”
Mark 25: 45

Kupu o te rā

Kia mataara!

Keep awake! Be vigilant!

Activity 20mins

- Preparing our whare for Christmas!

Waiata

Conclusion Evaluation 5mins

What did we learn? Positives, negatives, suggestions?
Feedback from tamariki/whanau

Resources needed:

Bible

Paper / white board

Pens / whiteboard markers





Pānui / readings:

Maaka 13: 24-37

Ka timata te panui kei te pukapuka o Maaka, te 13 o ngā upoko, ki te whiti 24

²⁴“Nā, i aua rā, i muri iho i taua whakapāwera, ka whakapōuritia te ra, e kore hoki e titi te atarau, ²⁵ka taka iho ngā whetū o te rangi, ka ngāueue ngā mea kaha o ngā rangi.

²⁶Nā, ko reira kitea ai te Tama a te tangata e haere mai ana i runga i ngā kapua, me te kaha nui, me te korōria. ²⁷Ko reira anō ia tonu ai i āna anahera, ā, ka huihuia ana i whiriwhiri ai i ngā hau e whā, i te pito o te whenua tae noa ki te pito o te rangi.”

²⁸“Nā, kia ākona koutou e te piki ki tētahi kupu whakarite. I tōna manga e ngāwari ana, e puta ana hoki ngā rau, ka mōhio koutou ka tata te raumati. ²⁹Waihoki ko koutou, ina kite i ēnei mea e puta mai ana, ka mātau ka tata ia, kei ngā kūwaha. ³⁰He pono tāku e mea nei ki a koutou, E kore tēnei whakatupuranga e pahemo, kia puta rā anō ēnei mea katoa. ³¹Ko te rangi me te whenua e pahemo, ko āku kupu ia e kore e pahemo.”

³²“Otiia, kāhore tētahi tangata e mātau ki taua rā, ki taua hāora, kāhore ngā anahera o te rangi, kāhore te Tama, ko te Matua anake. ³³Kia tūpato, kia mataara, me te inoi anō. Kāhore hoki koutou e mātau ki te wā, ko āhea rānei. ³⁴Ka rite hoki ki te tangata e haere ana ki tawhiti, mahue iho i a ia tōna whare, ā, tukua iho e ia ngā tikanga ki āna pononga, tāna mahi mā tētahi, mā tētahi, ka whakahau iho hoki ki te kaitiaki tatau kia mataara.

³⁵Āe rā, kia mataara: kāhore hoki koutou e mātau ki te wā e haere mai ai te rangatira o te whare, ko te ahiahi, ko waenganui pō rānei, ko te tangihanga o te heihei, ko te atatū ranei; ³⁶kei puta whakarere mai, ka rokohanga koutou e ia e moe ana. ³⁷Nā, ko tāku ka mea atu nei ki a koutou, e meatia ana anō ki te katoa, ‘Kia mataara!’”





Mark 13: 24-37

Today's reading comes from the book of Mark, chapter 13 beginning at verse 24

²⁴ 'But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵ and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶ Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. ²⁷ Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸ 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰ Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³² 'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³ Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴ It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵ Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶ or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷ And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake!'





Reflection notes:

Mo tātou te iwi māori, he aha kē nga tohu o te raumati?

Ki etahi iwi ko te puawai o ngā putiputi o te Pohutukawa.

Ki etahi atu iwi ko te whanautanga mai o ngā kararehe.

Seasons come and go, but the Lord is consistent. A constant in our lives.

This week we are reinforcing the need for preparation. Kia mataara!

A helpful reminder at this time of year, the beginning of advent.

Kia mataara! Keep awake, you might be thinking, why a warning as we prepare to celebrate the first days of the life of Jesus? Advent is about the hope of the second coming just as much as the joy, love and peace of his first nativity.

This message uses current events as a basis for reminding us how important it is to be prepared for anything, and to rest in Christ.





Pātai mō ngā tamariki:

How do we know that something is coming? Or something is about to happen?

You could use the following questions:

1. How do you know you are going to sneeze?
2. How do you know it's the right time for planting?
3. How do you know it's the right time for fishing or eeling?
4. How do you know it is going to rain?

We have signs and indications whether they be physical signs (you have a sore tummy and need to burp, or a tickly nose and then sneeze)

Or environmental signs. There's lots of grey clouds and it is spitting, so you know it is going to rain, it is after the new moon so it's a good time for planting.

We all need to learn to keep an eye out for signs. They make lots of things easier – so kia mataara ki tō ao.

Another thing that we have talked about over our time together is how much we prepare – for sports, for kura, for Church, for things in life.

Today is the first day of Advent.

1. Who knows what this is?

(Advent is the season of the Church where we start preparing for the coming of Christ)

2. When does Christ come? (Christmas!)

So just as it takes time to prepare us for being good in sports, we need time to prepare for Christ, the birth of a baby!

In the story, we don't know when Christ is coming, but for us these days, we know when Christmas is. And so we do things over the coming weeks to get ready for Christmas.

- What do you do?
- Do you go Christmas shopping?
- Do you have whanau Christmas get togethers?
- Do you participate in a Church service?
- What else do you remember doing when Christmas time comes around? (write these ideas down)





Activity – Preparing our whare for Christmas

There are a number of things that we can do together as a haahi to prepare for Christmas. Figure out what your haahi does at Advent or in preparation for Christmas, and use that as an activity with your tamariki. Alternatively, this is a great time to decide on a new tradition that you as a haahi whānau can do together! This is a great way to get our tamariki involved.

Ideas include:

- Set up the Christmas tree
- Plan for the role that tamariki/whānau will play in the Christmas day service or lead up to Christmas
- Decorate your whare karakia or whare kai
- Write cards to whānau members wishing them Merry Christmas / Happy Advent
- Read the Te Harinui book or watch the video [HERE](#)
- Your tamariki might be able to come up with some ideas too

*A key thing over Advent is to keep the momentum and excitement of Christmas going. If tamariki are into something and it fits with building up and preparing for Christmas, go with it and keep them excited 😊

