Object Lesson: What is your Priority

A JAR, ROCKS AND RICE: Prepare the jar ahead of time with a few big stones and fill with rice. Then bring the empty jar and the rice and stones in separate container.

This jar represents your day. The rocks represent the things of God, ie. Prayer, Bible reading, Going to church. The rice represents other things in your day, ie. play, computer time, watching TV. Talk about the things you do on a daily basis. What comes first in your list of important things. Is it watching your favorite show on TV, playing your favorite video game? Is it school or homework. These are important! When you put the regular things into the jar first, (name them as you pour rice into the jar) then the things of God won’t fit. (when you have put all the rice into the jar and then try to fit the rocks in, they won’t all go in) But when you first put in the things of God,(Name them as you put them in) then the other things, (the rice) will fill in the spaces. The Bible says to “Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matthew 6:33)