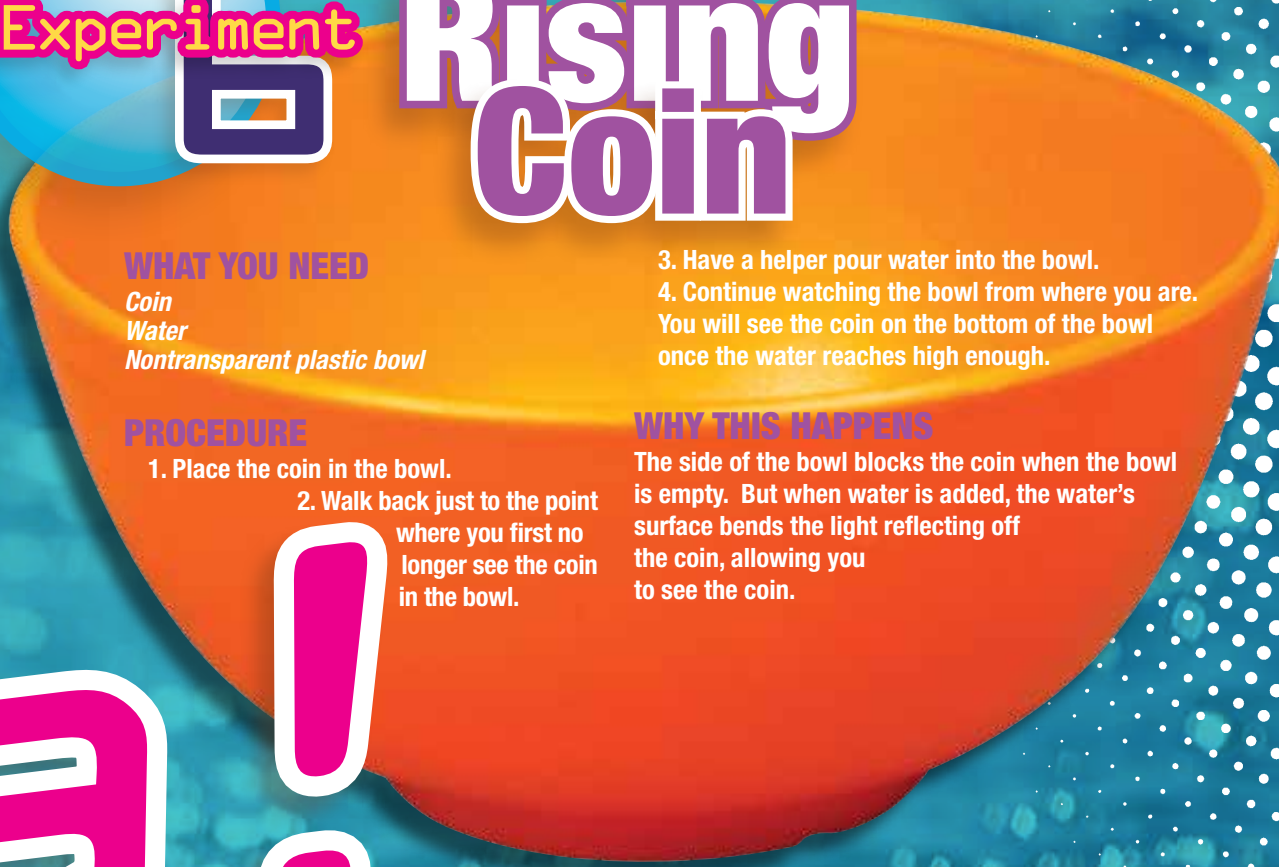




Experiment 

Rising Coin



WHAT YOU NEED

- Coin
- Water
- Nontransparent plastic bowl

PROCEDURE

1. Place the coin in the bowl.
2. Walk back just to the point where you first no longer see the coin in the bowl.

3. Have a helper pour water into the bowl.
4. Continue watching the bowl from where you are. You will see the coin on the bottom of the bowl once the water reaches high enough.

WHY THIS HAPPENS

The side of the bowl blocks the coin when the bowl is empty. But when water is added, the water's surface bends the light reflecting off the coin, allowing you to see the coin.

Eureka!

"Eureka!" means "I found it!"

Isn't it fun when you find a quarter lying on the ground? Can you imagine finding one in the mouth of a fish?! That's just about what happened for Peter, one of Jesus' disciples.

Jesus and His disciples were traveling through a town called Capernaum. Jesus and Peter needed money to pay a tax. So Jesus told Peter to go fishing and that the first fish he caught would have a coin in its mouth that would be enough to pay their taxes.

Though paper money, like

the dollar bill, is relatively new, money in the form of coins has been around for a long, long time. There are actually several stories in the Bible about coins.

One time, Jesus was at the temple, and He saw rich people putting money in the offering. Then He saw a poor widow who put in "two very small copper coins" (Luke 21:2). Though she gave less than the wealthy people, Jesus said she really gave more. They gave just a small part of their wealth to God, but she gave all she had to God.

In Luke 15, Jesus tells a story of a woman who has 10 silver coins and loses one. She searches her whole house until

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she finds the one lost coin. And when she finds it, she celebrates. Jesus said this is how it is in heaven when just one person asks God to forgive his or her sins.

The story about the lost coin describes a wonderful truth: God rejoices whenever people who are lost in sin find Him. Whenever people ask Jesus to forgive them for their sins, Jesus says God's angels rejoice. If you haven't asked Jesus to forgive you and to help you live the life He has planned for you, give heaven a reason to celebrate! **e**

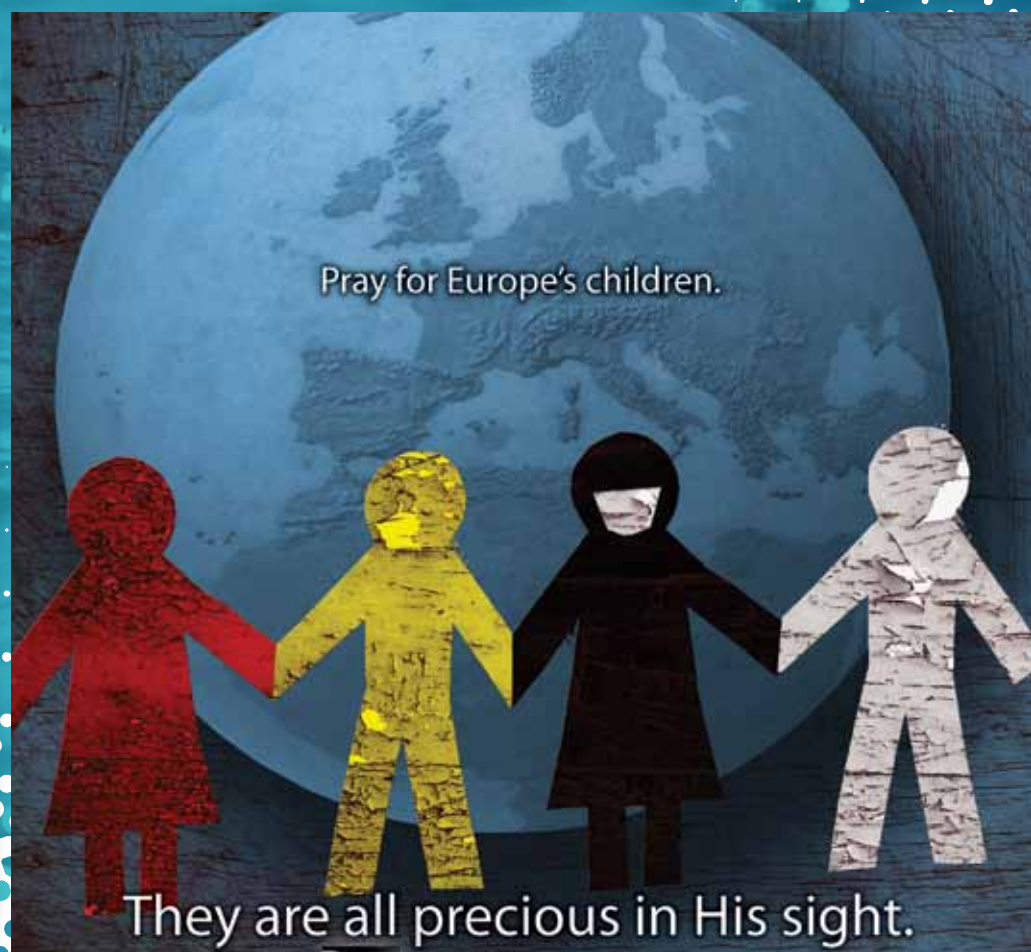
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Did-You-Know?

- The Canadian Mint produced the world's largest coin for auction? It weighs about 220 pounds, is pure gold, and is worth more than \$2 million.



- The United States Mint produces between 11 billion and 20 billion coins each year. That's a whole bunch of pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters (and other commemorative coins).



Pray for Europe's children.

They are all precious in His sight.