



AT HOME

WEEKLY FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE

August 6 & 7

REMEMBER VERSE

Memorize Together

"Jesus looked at them and said,
'With people, this is impossible.
But with God, all things are
possible.'"

Matthew 19:26 (NIRV)

GOD STATEMENT:

Jesus is Awesome

Use this God-centered statement to help apply what your kids are learning. Instead of just hearing a Bible story and seeing how God helped those specific people, encourage them to look at their own life and apply the God-centered statement to it.

GROW DEEPER

Discuss as a Family

Help your kids grow deeper in their understanding of this past weekend's lesson and prepare for next week's lesson.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK...

LESSON: Jesus is Awesome – Feeding the 5,000

READ TOGETHER: John 6:1-13

DISCUSS (Younger Kids):

- Think of words to describe Jesus. *Take turns going around describing Jesus until you run out of words.* We have a new God Statement that describes Jesus – Jesus is AWESOME!
- When you hear the word awesome, what do you think of? *Take turns going around describing things that are awesome.*
- The word awesome is from the Bible and has a very special meaning. When we see the word awesome in the Bible, it's used to describe God, or Jesus. We use it to describe Jesus because He deserves our awe! Let's say our new God statement together 5 times! (*Tip: Parents get creative and have the kids repeat in funny voices.*)

DISCUSS (Older Kids):

- What do you remember from the lesson today? *As a family, read the story again from Luke John 6:1-1.*
- How did Jesus feed the people? What did he use? *He fed all the people and had food leftover! He used five loaves of bread and two fish.*
- Wow! Jesus was able to feed thousands of people with almost no food! He can take care of us too, always! What is one way Jesus has taken care of you? *Spend some time as a family in prayer for all the awesome things Jesus has done for you.*

NEXT WEEK...

We will be learning about how **Jesus is Awesome**, and miracles He did here on earth. (Mark 6:45-52 & Matthew 14:22-33)

GATHER

Intentional Family Time

Life is busy and finding intentional time to gather as a family can be hard! How can you create intentional opportunities for family time in the following areas?

SUMMER BIBLE CHALLENGE:

Throughout the summer, we are encouraging kids to practice and learn the New Testament books of the Bible.

Here's a song link to help make it fun - bit.ly/ntbooks.

MORNING TIME:

Speaking words of truth and love over your kids each morning can really prepare their heart and mind for the day ahead.

IDEA: *As you eat breakfast, have everyone take 30 seconds to sit still and listen to God. Then, share what you feel like God was telling you during the quiet.*

MEALTIME:

Eating together is the perfect time to share conversation and "check in" with each other.

ASK: *What is your favorite Bible story and why?*

CAR TIME:

We spend a lot of time in the car! Why not use this time to reinforce what your kids are learning?

PLAY: *Practice the memory verse together. Think of creative ways to work on the verse as you drive.*

(i.e. every time you are at a red light, one person tries to do the motions for the verse while the other says it)

BEDTIME:

Kids love routine and bedtime is one of the most familiar routines for kids. Take advantage of this time by reading a blessing over your kids as they get ready for bed!

BLESSING IDEA:

"May you know that God is our hope! He is with you, and one day He will make everything new."

"May you always remember that God loves you. He wants a relationship with you!"

For the next week, read Psalm 23 over your kids at bedtime. Each time you read it, have the kids close their eyes and imagine the words. At the end, ask them to share how it made them feel.

CONTRIBUTE

Missions Focus

ELIC & Iraq

Our mission focus for the next couple of weeks is an organization called ELIC in the country of Iraq.

In Iraq, there is a lot of violence, war, and division, especially amongst people who believe different things about God.

One of Woodmen's global partners, ELIC, sends English teachers to Iraq and other countries because they feel God calling them to do so! Through teaching English, these followers of Jesus have had many opportunities to share God's love with the people they encounter in Iraq.

Amidst all the pain, violence, and hurt in Iraq, God is still finding ways to show His love! It's not easy to be a teacher in this country.

As a family, discuss:

Do you think it would be easy to live somewhere you don't know and teach people another language?

What would be the hardest part?

Then, take time as a family to pray for:

- Protection for ELIC's teachers.
- Students in Iraq to find hope in Christ.
- More teachers to feel called to serve in Iraq.
- Peace and stability in Iraq.

CONNECT

Fun Opportunities

AWANA CLUB 2022-23

Awana registration is open! Join us from September 7-May 3 every Wednesday night as we teach God's word, memorize Scripture together, and have fun while doing it!

For more info:
woodmenvalley.org/awana