



AT HOME

WEEKLY FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE

January 29 & 30

REMEMBER VERSE Memorize Together

“Be strong and brave...I am the Lord your God. I will be with you everywhere you go.”

Joshua 1:9 (NIRV)

GOD STATEMENT: God is Our Leader

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: God Speaks to Us - Samuel's Obedience to God

READ TOGETHER: 1 Samuel 1-3; 8-10

DISCUSS (Younger Kids):

- What was the name of the child God gave to Hannah?
- Act out the story of God speaking to Samuel with your kids, then discuss how you would feel if you were Samuel.

DISCUSS (Older Kids):

- God speaks to us, but listening isn't always easy. Why is it hard to listen sometimes? Can you think of some ways we can listen to God?
- It's okay if God has never spoken to you like He did with Samuel. God still speaks to us in a variety of ways, like through worship songs, other people, or Bible verses. Have you ever felt God telling you something?

NEXT WEEK...

We will discover how **God Hears Us** as we learn about what Samuel does next, and who God has him anoint as the next king. (1 Samuel 10-13)

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?

MORNING TIME:

Spending intentional time with your kids each morning can really prepare their heart and mind for the day ahead.

IDEA: Before your kids wake up, prepare your own heart for the day ahead by turning on worship music and praying. As your kids awake, keep the worship music going as a way to set the tone for the day.

MEALTIME:

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

ASK: What was one kind thing someone did for you today? What was one kind thing you did for someone else today? How did either make you feel?

CAR TIME:

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

PLAY: Spend time practicing our Winter Bible Challenge – learning the Old Testament Books of the Bible by listening to “Wonderful Books of the Bible” by Craig Anderson on YouTube, Spotify, or Apple Music.

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 IDEAS:

“May you know that you are fearfully and wonderfully made by the Creator of the universe, and He loves YOU!”

“Always remember that God is with you wherever you go. He makes you strong and brave. He loves you so much, and I love you too!”

CONTRIBUTE

Missions Focus

Over the next few weeks, Woodmen Kids is partnering with Acts’ Senior Ministry.

Our kids will be making Valentine’s Cards for local senior centers during Kids Ministry on the weekend.

This is a great opportunity to talk with your kids about how we can use our words to encourage and support others, specifically the elderly, this February.

Take this time to unpack the legacies that many seniors have. Think about those in your own life and have intentional conversation about how we can respect and honor our elderly community. Start with:

What does it mean to leave a legacy?

CONNECT

Fun Opportunities

Kids Baptism Class

February 6 @ WH

If your 3rd-6th grader has recently asked to be baptized at Woodmen’s next baptism service, this is the class for you! This is a required class, and we ask that a parent attend with their child.

Faith Foundations for Kids

Feb. 27, March 6 & 13 @ WH

This 3-session class is a great opportunity for your 1st-6th graders to learn more and go deeper into what it means to follow Jesus.

Register for Baptism Class & Faith Foundations today:
woodmenvalley.org/kids