

AT HOME WEEKLY FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE June 25 & 26

REMEMBER VERSEMemorize Together

"But you are not ruled by the power of sin. Instead, the power of the Holy Spirit rules over you... The Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you."

Romans 8:9&11 (NIRV, Paraphrased)

GOD STATEMENT:

The Holy Spirit is With Us

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 DEEPERDiscuss 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 Inspires Us to Serve Others - Spiritual Gifts

READ TOGETHER: Ephesians 4:1-16

DISCUSS (Younger Kids):

- What's our God statement right now? (The Holy Spirit is With Us!) What's the Holy Spirit? (The Holy Spirit is part of the trinity, and God gave us the Holy Spirit as our helper).
- Serving others means helping them! Let's think of one way we can help each other today.

DISCUSS (Older Kids):

- Today we learned about how God inspires us to serve others. What do you think that means? (*Using the gifts God has given us to bless others*).
- Read Ephesians 4:12 together as a family. God wants to equip us and use us to do great things. What does God want to build up? (The body of Christ). What is the body of Christ? (His Kingdom and all of His children).
- We serve because Jesus served us first! God made each of us with special gifts. What is one gift God has given you or one way you can serve others?

NEXT WEEK...

We will be learning how **God is Hope** and gives us something very special (*The Holy Spirit*). To help us tell others about Jesus! (Revelation 21-22).

GATHERIntentional 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.

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: Share what you are looking forward to and not looking forward to in today. Then, take turns praying for each other's day.

MEALTIME:

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

ASK: Think about what God has been teaching you right now, and share a God Statement to describe it.

Ex: God has been teaching me that I don't have to feel afraid of the dark because He is with me - God is with me or God is my strength.

CAR TIME:

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

PLAY: Turn on your kid's favorite worship song and sing as loud as you can! Then, turn off the song and see if you can sing the words without the 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 IDEA:

"May you believe that you are uniquely and wonderfully made by God. He loves you so much."

"May you know that the Holy Spirit is always with you. He is your helper, and He loves you!"

Read your favorite Bible verse over your kids.

CONTRIBUTEMissions Focus

CURE Zambia Healing4Life

Our missions focus for Summer Day Camp this year is CURE Zambia.

Approximately 90% of people living in low-and middle- and middle-income countries around the world do not have access to basic surgical care. Children suffer needlessly from treatable conditions like burn contractures, clubfoot, bowed legs, hydrocephalus and cleft lips and palates.

Your kids are encouraged to do Chores4Cure to help raise money that will provide life-changing surgical care, along with intentional spiritual care, for children living with disabilities in Zambia through CURE International.

Spend time discussing:

What does empathy mean? How can I have empathy for a friend across the world?