



## AT HOME

### WEEKLY FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE

June 4 & 5

#### REMEMBER VERSE Memorize 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,

#### 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 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 the Good News – The Great Commission

**READ TOGETHER:** Matthew 38:16-20

#### DISCUSS (Younger Kids):

- What did you learn about God from our story today? (*That Jesus is the Good News, and He wants me to tell others about Him*).
- Who is the good news? (*Jesus*). Who are some people we can share the good news with? (*Parents now is a good time to discuss with your children who we share the good news with, and how we do it. Tell your kids about the times you told others about Jesus and how that felt*).

#### DISCUSS (Older Kids):

- Have you ever been given a promise? What was it? Did the person keep it? We know Jesus will return one day and keep His promise. What does he ask us to do while we wait? (*tell others about Him*) How can you do that this week?
- Talk about the wind and how you cannot see it. How does that relate to the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is our helper, and the Holy Spirit is with us. How can we know this is true? (*God’s Word, personal experience, others’ experiences*) Share personal stories of when you have felt the Holy Spirit.

#### NEXT WEEK...

We will be learning how **Jesus goes to Heaven** and gives us something very special (*The Holy Spirit*). To help us tell others about Jesus! (Luke 24 & Acts 2).

## **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.

#### **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.**

## **CONTRIBUTE**

### **Missions Focus**

#### **Loving Local Senior Centers**

The last two weekends, Woodmen Kids has been partnering with Acts Senior Ministry. Our kids have made fun summer crafts for the 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.

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?***

***Who can I talk to about their legacy this week?***

## **CONNECT**

### **Fun Opportunities**

**Summer Day Camp - Jungle Quest!**

Kids (3yr - 6<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to join us for a 4-day adventure as we participate in a quest for God's eternal truth!

**For more info:**  
[woodmenvalley.org/summercamp](http://woodmenvalley.org/summercamp)