
God has called us to lead our families in discipleship at home...

- to preach and teach the Bible to our family (Eph. 6:4)
- to be a discipleship center (Gen. 18:19)
- to impress the hearts of the next generation with a love for God (Deut. 6:5-7)
- to pass on faith (Ps. 78:1-8, Deut. 32:44-47; Eph. 6:4)
- to teach spiritual lessons to our children (Prov. 1:8, Prov. 7:1, Prov. 23:23-26)

and this resource is designed to equip you to do just that and help you lead into the following Sunday.



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Lead your heart and your household into next Sunday using these ideas and resources in one or all six areas as you worship at home together to fulfill God's discipleship calling. Pick and choose what is most suitable for your home, using what will work best with the ages, stages, personalities, and interests you have present.

May your family be blessed by the time spent together, worshiping our Mighty God!

Blessings,

Kimber Walsh, Director of Family Life Ministry

*You can also find this resource by subscribing online at redeemerjackson.org/lead-in-subscription

BIBLE READING

Read the Bible texts using different translations or age-appropriate children's Bibles, act it out, use puppets or visual aids.

- Isaiah 60:1–6
- Ephesians 3:1–12
- Matthew 2:1–12

Memorize

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you."
Isaiah 60:1

SINGING

- ["As with Gladness Men of Old"](#) (*Lutheran Svc. Book 397*)
- ["O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"](#) (*LSB 395*)
- ["Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"](#) (*LSB 394*)
- ["King of Kings"](#) (*Hillsong*)
- ["King of My Heart"](#) (*Bethel Music*)
- ["Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"](#) (*Helen Lemmel*)
- ["Go Tell It on the Mountain"](#) (*Lifetree Kids*)

ACTIVITIES

1. **The Light Has Come**—Make large, decorated J-E-S-U-S letters and hang them from a string of Christmas lights to remind that Jesus is the light of the world who has come.
2. **Bring Light to Everyone**—The Magi brought their gifts to Jesus after Christmas. Think of a small way to bless someone by bringing Jesus' light to them through a note or small gift or invitation. How can we point to Jesus, like the star did, in daily life?
3. **Pointing to Jesus**—Hide a little boy figurine (or a baby Jesus). Cut out stars to point the way to find Jesus. Make this as easy or as challenging as your ages warrant. Talk about the magi visiting Jesus and following the star to get to Him—what does this visit teach us about God?

CATECHISM

Recitation: The Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer and Meaning [*Luther's Small Catechism*, Blue p. 184, Maroon p. 189, Black-p. 258]

Q & A: Assign one person to be the catechizer to ask questions and allow others to answer. (Guide them/provide unknown answers.)

- *Luther's Small Catechism*, 2008 Questions 219-222 (Blue p. 185-187, Maroon p. 190-192)
- *Luther's Small Catechism*, 2017 Questions 268-275 (p. 259-262)

Need a catechism? Let us know!

DISCUSSION

1. Share highs and lows of the day.
2. How have you seen God at work lately?
3. What does the Scripture reading teach about God?
4. What does it teach about people?
5. What is the key theme of the Scripture reading?
6. What do you learn about the key theme? How can you apply it to your daily walk with the Lord? (Yourself, your relationship with God or your relationships with others?)
7. Any cautions to heed? Any promises to anticipate?

PRAYER

- **Adoration (Wow, God!):** Proclaim at least three things that amaze you about God today.
- **Confession (Sorry, God!):** Confess, repent, and ask for forgiveness.
- **Thanksgiving (Thanks, God!):** Thank God for blessings, lessons, gifts, etc.
- **Supplication (Please, God!):** Ask God to intervene where you know of needs.