



May 8-13, 2023

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, worshipping our Mighty God!

Blessings,

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BIBLE READING

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

- Acts 17:16-31
- Psalm 66:8-20
- 1 Peter 3:13-22
- John 14:15-21

Memorize

"Praise be to God,
who has not rejected
my prayer or withheld
his love from me!"
Psalm 66:20

SINGING

- "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!" (*Lutheran Service Book* 821)
- "Dear Christians One and All Rejoice" (*LSB* 556)
- "I Know that My Redeemer Lives" (*LSB* 461)

ACTIVITIES

1. **Freeze & Move**-Tape off a large cross on the floor (or draw a large one on the driveway with chalk). When you're in the cross of Jesus, move freely as you wish. But if you step out or fall out of the cross of Jesus, you have to freeze. Talk about how we live and have our being in Jesus.
2. **Water Symbol**-1 Peter 3:21 says, "this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you.... by the resurrection of Jesus Christ." Draw water with yourself inside of it to symbolize your Baptism in the water by which you were saved.
3. **Obey My Commands**-Play 'Simon Says.' Take turns being "Simon." Remember: if you disobey Simon, you're out. Read John 14:21. Talk about how we've been gifted God's commands and what it looks like to obey them in our daily lives.

CATECHISM

Recitation: The Third Article Part 1 & Meaning [*Luther's Small Catechism*, Blue p. 144, Maroon p. 147, Black-p. 195]

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 154-168 (Blue p. 145-153, Maroon p. 148-156)
- *Luther's Small Catechism*, 2017 Questions 186-200 (p. 196-203)

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.

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.

