

May 22-27, 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, worshiping our Mighty God!

Blessings,

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BIBLE READING

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

- Numbers 11:24-30
- Psalm 25:1-15
- Acts 2:1-21
- John 7:37-39

Memorize

"To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; in you I trust, O my God." Psalm 25:1

SINGING

- "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling" (Lutheran Service Book 650)
- "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" (LSB 906)
- "Come Holy Ghost, Good Lord" (LSB 497)
- "Potter's Hand" (Hillsong)
- "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God" (Keith & Kristyn Getty)
- "Living Waters" (Keith & Kristyn Getty)

ACTIVITIES

- Gifts of the Holy Spirit-List as many gifts of the Holy Spirit as you can think of. What gifts of the Holy Spirit are most evident in your family? Together, spend some time in prayer asking that God would grow each gift in you.
- 2. Fruit Taste Test-Cut up several different kinds of fruit. Taste them blind to see if you can identify each one. Read Gal. 5:22. How can you tell when this fruit of the Spirit is evident in someone?
- 3. **Great Wind-**Explain that we will make a great wind. Have everyone gather what supplies they think may help with this. You may even wish to create streamers or ribbons to observe the effects of the great wind. When all things are gathered make a great wind. Talk about how the Holy Spirit came at the first Pentecost.
- 4. **Fifty-**Pentecost means 50th because it's 50 days after Easter. Practice counting to 50, talking about Easter and Pentecost.

CATECHISM

Recitation: The Third Article Part 3 & Meaning [Luther's Small Catechism, Blue p. 144, Maroon p. 147, Black-p. 222]

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 187-192
 (Blue p. 164-168, Maroon p. 168-173)
- Luther's Small Catechism, 2017 Questions 219-229 (p. 223-229)

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.

