

April 1-6, 2024

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.

- Acts 4:32-35
- 1 John 1:1-2:2
- John 20:19-31

Memorize

"[Jesus Christ] is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only ours, but also for the sins of the whole world." 1 John 2:2

SINGING

- "Alleluia, Jesus is Risen" (Lutheran Service Book 474)
- "Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia" (LSB 463)
- "Alleluia, Alleluia Hearts to Heaven" (LSB 477)

ACTIVITIES

- Walk In the Light-For this game, anyone who is in the light can walk/move. If you are not in the light, you must freeze. Start with a flashlight and shine it on or near people long enough that they can move some. Add a second light and so on, working your way up to the main ceiling light which will allow everyone to move. Read 1 John 1:5b-7. Talk about what it looks like to walk in the light of God.
- Doubt Not-Read John 20:24-31. Journal write/draw or discuss what it means to doubt and what it means to believe.

CATECHISM

Recitation: The Fifth Petition of the Lord's Prayer and Meaning [Luther's Small Catechism, Blue p. 188, Maroon p. 193, Black-p. 264]

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 223-227 (Blue p. 188-190, Maroon p. 193-195)
- Luther's Small Catechism, 2017 Questions 276-280 (p. 264-268)

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.

