



**August 19-24, 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, 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.

- Isaiah 29:11-19
- Psalm 14:1-7
- Ephesians 5:22-33
- Mark 7:1-13

### Memorize

"Nothing outside a man can make him 'unclean' by going into him. Rather, it is what comes out of a man that makes him 'unclean.'"  
Mark 7:15

## SINGING

- ["Blessed Jesus at Your Word" \(Lutheran Service Book 904\)](#)
- ["Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" \(LSB 655\)](#)
- ["Almighty Father Bless the Word" \(LSB 923\)](#)

## ACTIVITIES

1. **Lips and Heart**-Draw lips and a heart and cut them out. Use a Bible to represent God. Read Isaiah 29:13. Put the lips near the Bible and the heart far away from the Bible. Talk about what it means for our lips to be near God and our hearts to be far away from God. How can we deal with this issue?
2. **Church Bride**-Make artwork representing the Church being the bride of Christ. While working on or showing your artwork, talk about what this role means.
3. **Messy**-Get your hands/arms (or whole body) messy by playing in mud or food. Afterwards, ask who is messy. Talk about how our bodies may be messy but our hearts are clean because of Jesus. As you get clean remember your Baptism.

## CATECHISM

**Recitation:** The Seventh Commandment & Meaning  
[*Luther's Small Catechism*, Blue p. 83, Maroon p. 85,  
Black-p. 105]

**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 59-60 (Blue p. 83-84; Maroon p. 86-87)
- *Luther's Small Catechism*, 2017 Questions 78-82 (p. 105-108)

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.

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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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