

# September 16-21, 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.

- Jeremiah 11:18-20
- Psalm 54:1-7
- James 3:13-4:10
- Mark 9:30-37

#### Memorize

"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up." James 4:10

# **SINGING**

- "The Lamb" (Lutheran Service Book 547)
- "Lamb of God" (LSB 550)
- "Lamb Of God Pure and Holy" (LSB 434)

## **ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Clean Hands-Wash your hands (in a bowl at the table or send everyone to wash in the sink and re-gather). Read James 4:8. Talk about how washing our hands is a symbol for cleaning away the spiritual dirt. What is our spiritual dirt? What sins do we have "on our hands" and in our hearts? Pray a prayer of confession together and ask God for forgiveness.
- 2. **First & Last**-For dinner or a treat time, have everyone get in line. Serve the last person in line first and the first person in line last. Read Mark 9:33-35. Talk about the disciples arguing over who is the greatest and Jesus' response. What does this conversation mean for us?

### **CATECHISM**

**Recitation:** The Close of the Commandments & Meaning [Luther's Small Catechism, Blue p. 91, Maroon p. 93, Black-p. 120]

**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 69-77, 84 (Blue p. 91-94, 98, Maroon p. 93-96, 100)
- Luther's Small Catechism, 2017 Questions 93-102 (p. 120-126)

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.

