

ONE CONVERSATION™

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE

**MATTHEW 6:9B;
PSALM 96:1-9**

A Prayer of Praise

CONNECTION POINT: Families can worship God through prayer.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: It is a natural thing for many of us to call out to God when we need something. God certainly invites us to come to Him with our requests and prayers. But do we ever consider what God wants? The first request in the Model Prayer is a petition for God's name to be honored as holy. We are to bring our requests to Him and seek an answer that brings honor and glory to God.

PRESCHOOL



DEUTERONOMY 4-6

LIVE IT OUT: Use a family worship time to express your love to God. Gather your family together to read from the Bible, sing praise songs, and pray. Let your preschooler participate by praying or choosing a song to sing.

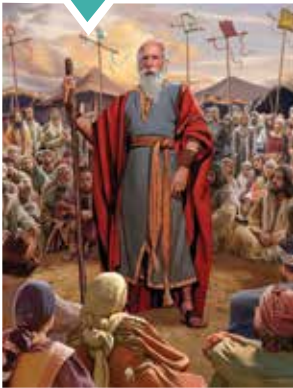
The Israelites were getting ready to go into the promised land. Moses spoke to the people before they went into the land.

Moses told the people to remember everything that God had done for them. He reminded the people that God had brought them out of Egypt.

God had led them to the land that He had promised to give them. Moses reminded the people of the Ten Commandments that God had given them. Moses told the people they must worship only God. They should tell the truth and obey their parents. They should not take other people's things.

Moses said, "This is the greatest commandment: love God with all your heart and all your strength. Teach these words to your children so that they will love God. God will bless your families for many years if you keep His commandments."

KIDS



DEUTERONOMY 4-6

LIVE IT OUT: Help your child learn an attitude for worship. Explain that worship is more than a gathering where people praise God. Worship is living a life dedicated to doing what God wants and commands. Read together the Weekly Bible Verse, Deuteronomy 6:5. Discuss how this verse relates to worship.

Moses gathered the people to tell them messages from God. The people had seen miracles in the desert. God told the mothers and fathers to tell their children, who would tell their children.

Moses reminded the people of God's Commandments: Worship only God. Do not worship idols. Use God's name in the right way. Keep the Sabbath a holy day. Honor your parents. Do not murder. Keep your marriage promises. Do not steal. Do not want something that belongs to someone else.

Moses told the people to love God. Moses told moms and dads to teach God's commands to their children. "Teach them when they are sitting, when they are walking, when they are lying down, and when they are getting up," Moses said.

God wanted parents to be sure their children learned about God.

STUDENTS

THE POINT: Our prayers are driven by the desire to honor God.

- Do you ever have trouble being completely honest in your prayers?
- How does acknowledging God's name as holy make a difference when we pray?
- Where do you see evidence of God's splendor and majesty in the world today?
- When has praising God helped you overcome discouragement?
- What are some practical ways you can make praise a meaningful part of your prayer life?
- How can you live so your life is an offering that honors God?

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out in the Personal Study Guide.

Here are some ways you can encourage your students to live out their faith with Christ personally, in community, and in their culture:

- **CHRIST:** As a family, create a list of reasons to praise God and put them up where you will see them every day.
- **COMMUNITY:** Discuss how to pray with your student. Ensure that he or she is praying in a way that honors God.
- **CULTURE:** Pray for opportunities this week to help lost friends and share the truth of Christ.