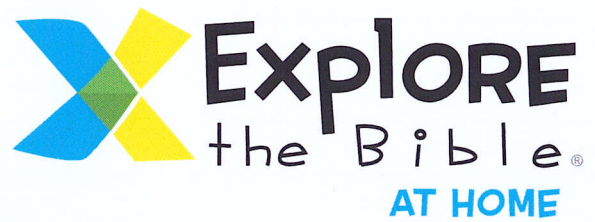


FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2018



BIBLE STORY:

1 Chronicles 15:1-29; 16:1-37

BIBLE VERSE:

1 Chronicles 16:34

BABIES—PRESCHOOL TEXT TRUTH:

Give thanks to God and praise Him.

KIDS TEXT TRUTH:

*We can praise God because He is good. (YK)
Our good and great God is worthy of honor
and praise. (OK)*

ADULT CORE PASSAGE:

Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-7

FAMILY MEMORY VERSE:

Galatians 4:7

FAMILY READING PLAN:

SUNDAY: *Galatians 3:15-18*

MONDAY: *Galatians 3:19-20*

TUESDAY: *Galatians 3:21-23*

WEDNESDAY: *Galatians 3:24-26*

THURSDAY: *Galatians 3:27-29*

FRIDAY: *Galatians 4:1-3*

SATURDAY: *Galatians 4:4-7*

FAMILY BIBLE EXPLORATION

Share these points as you study 1 Chronicles and Galatians together as a family:



- **David could not build the temple, but wanted to move the ark of the covenant to Jerusalem.** David knew from talking to God that God did not want David to build the temple since David had seen many battles and wars in his lifetime. David also knew that his son, Solomon, would be the one to build that temple. David wanted to move the ark from the place it rested, Kiriath-jearim, to a place in Jerusalem to prepare for the temple construction. The ark, many years earlier, had been captured by the Philistines and subsequently returned. The ark was on a piece of land owned by a man named Abinadab, and David made preparations to have the ark moved.
- **God be praised!** Once the ark had been returned to Jerusalem, David led the nation of Israel in worship of the one true God. David personally led the procession into Jerusalem and praised God through dancing and the playing of musical instruments. David, as the head of the nation, was exuberant in his praise and some who observed the celebration did not like David's enthusiastic actions. David, however, was more concerned with worshiping God than what others thought of his mode of worship. David praised God because God is worthy of worship and praise.
- **Our relationship with God brings us to worship Him.** David's close relationship with God is what brought about his desire to worship. David's heart for God also gave David a pure worship experience, not affected by his surroundings or the eyes of those who watched him, but completely focused on God. Paul encouraged the Galatian church to also focus their attention on their relationship with God and let that relationship create an overflow of worship.
- **Christians make up a unique community that cannot be found anywhere else.** Paul showed the Galatians that local congregations are made up of believers with different backgrounds and experiences with Christ. Paul applauded the fact that the Christian community is unique in its ability to merge these various people into a community with a single focus and goal—Jesus Christ.