

Here are some suggestions for encouraging your family at home during this crisis.*

Podcasts

[We Wonder](#)- a contemplative Bible storytelling for children. They have included today a special episode for troubled times.

Family Devotionals

[Faith5](#) is a great way for families to have faith conversations and focus on God. The five easy steps include:

1. Step 1: Share your highs and lows.
2. Step 2: Read a Bible verse or story.
3. Step 3: Talk about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows.
4. Step 4: Pray for one another's highs and lows.
5. Step 5: Bless one another.

[This link](#) gives specific details and is something you can share with families.

[Everyday Family Faith](#)- this small resource book has creative ideas for exploring Bible verses, talking about faith in daily life, and praying together, as well as fun activities to do.

[5 Ways to Pray with Kids](#)- a blog post that lists 5 easy and meaningful ways families can pray together.

[Daily Devotionals](#)- Robin Turner, Children's Ministry Director at St. Stephens Anglican Church, is creating daily devotions and activities for families. (The link goes to Day 1.) She is releasing them each morning and you can access them through [Worship with Children Facebook page](#).

[Worshipping with Children](#) has created family worship at home post. [Here](#) is the post for March 22, 2020 on Psalm 23.

Lacy Fin Borgo's new book [Spiritual Conversations with Children: Listening to God Together](#) has just been released. She offers key skills for engaging conversation - posture, power, and patterns - from a Christ-centered perspective including interactive dialogues with children, ideas for engaging children with play, art, and movement, and prayers to use together.

Ministry Resources

[Illustrated Ministry](#) creates faith resources for church and home. As a way to help "flatten the curve" during this pandemic, they have offered to provide free, weekly faith formation resources for all ages. Click on [this link](#) to access those free resources.

[Everyday Ways to Help Families Form Faith When They're Stuck at Home](#) is a blog post by Karen DeBoar that provides CM directors resources and ways to connect with families. Some of the items have already been listed in this document.

Other fun activities

Virtual Field Trips - [This google doc](#) has links to over 30 places where you can take a virtual field trip including the San Diego Zoo, national parks, art museums, and more.

Virtual Museum Tours - [This article](#) highlights 12 famous museums that you can take a virtual tour without ever leaving your home.

Karen DeBoar has written [an article](#) that highlights 35 tech-free faith forming and fun activities that families can do at home.

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