



# FAITH & FAMILY

## TOGETHER TIME!

Gather around the kitchen or dining room table and talk about how Jesus' disciples might have felt when they met with Jesus for the Last Supper. Serve a simple meal—fresh fruit, lunchmeat, and bread with grape juice to drink. Have someone read 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 from the Bible. Name ways your family can remember Jesus.



## FAMILY CREATIONS



As a family, name times when you need to remember Jesus. Talk about things you have in your home that help you remember Jesus—pictures, plaques, Bible story or devotional books, Christian CDs or DVDs, and so on. Provide plain paper and markers. Challenge each family member to draw a picture or create a poster that will help the person remember Jesus.

## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Luke 19:28-48; 21:37, 38; 22:7-54; Matthew 21:1-11; 27:27-60. Remember, **We should remember what Jesus did.**



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## FAMILY OUTING

Take a walk together. Find some plants or trees that are beginning to grow and bloom. Talk about how some parts of plants die and the plants remain dormant (inactive) during the winter months. Then talk about how Jesus died and came back to life. Only Jesus could do that!



## CARE & SHARE

The best news you can share with others is that Jesus has power over death. Because Jesus is alive, we do not need to be afraid.

We have hope! Bake some cookies or cupcakes and decorate them with colorful sprinkles. Talk about people you know who are going through hard times. Perhaps they have experienced a death in the family, been ill, or lost a job. Share the prepared treats with one or more of these individuals. Tell them about Jesus.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Matthew 26:36-50, 57, 59-66; 27:32-38, 45-65; 28:1-10  
Remember, **Only Jesus has power over death.**



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## TOGETHER TIME!

Have a pretend storm at your home. Blink lights or a flashlight on and off for lightning. Bang pot lids together for thunder. Turn off the lights and go to the hallway or basement (or wherever you go during a storm). Review what your family should do when a real storm happens. Talk about Jesus' power over storms and say a prayer together, thanking God for His protection during all the frightening times in life.



## FAMILY OUTING

Visit a local library or bookstore and find books and videos about storms. Read about, watch, and discover together the different kind of storms and how they form. Find out how meteorologists forecast storms. Then talk about the creator of weather and His great power!



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Mark 4:35-41.  
Remember, **Jesus has power over nature.**





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## FAMILY CREATIONS

When we pray for people who are ill, sometimes Jesus heals them and sometimes He does not. He knows what is best. Talk about this as a family. Then start a family prayer journal. Write down the names of friends and relatives who are ill that you can pray for. When a prayer has been answered, put a star sticker by that person's name. As family members start to see the stickers in the journal, they will better appreciate Jesus' power to heal.



## GAME TIME!



The sense of hearing is a real gift. As a family, play a game of Where Am I Going? Think of a destination, either inside or outside of your home. What sounds would you hear on your way to that place? Give clues and see if other family members can guess where you are going?

## LOOK IN THE BOOK

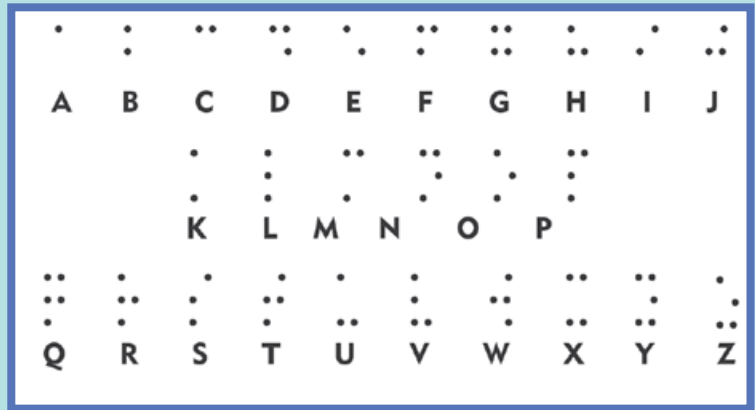
Read together this week's Bible story from Mark 7:31-37.  
Remember, **Jesus has amazing power.**



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## FAMILY CREATIONS

Work together to make a fun poster that will remind your family of Jesus' love. Provide poster board, glue, and candy dots. Use the Braille alphabet and write a message in Braille on the poster, such as "Jesus loves you." Then decorate the poster. Thank God for things you see.



## GAME TIME!

The sense of sight is a gift from God. As a family, play a game of "I Spy." The first clue giver should pick an object everyone can see, but only tell the color of the object. Other players then start guessing objects that color until someone figures out what the object is. The person who guesses correctly can give the next clue. At the end of the game, thank Jesus for His power to help those who do not have sight.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from John 9:1-11, 24, 25, 35-38.  
Remember, **We should believe in Jesus.**



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## TOGETHER TIME!

Plan a time for everyone in the family to read their Bibles together. Read a story about Jesus in your adult Bible. Then help a child in the family read the same story in a children's Bible. Thank God that His Word can be read by people of all ages.



## CARE & SHARE

God chose Paul to help other people learn about Jesus. Talk about a missionary you know who tells people about Jesus. If possible, have a garage sale or do some odd jobs to earn extra money. Send all the proceeds to the missionary. Include with your donation a letter, thanking the individual or family for helping others learn about Jesus, God's Son.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Acts 9:1-22; 22:12-16.  
Remember, **We should learn about Jesus.**





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## FAMILY CREATIONS

Make a list of people your family can tell about Jesus. Together, make stickers to give to friends and neighbors. Use mailing labels or self-adhesive name tags. Write "Jesus is the Son of God" on each sticker and decorate the stickers with markers. Have fun giving your stickers away and telling others about Jesus.



## FAMILY OUTING

Gather information about a missionary family that your congregation supports. Find out about the country where the missionary lives. As a family, visit a restaurant that serves the kind of food the missionary might eat. Or find an appropriate ethnic recipe and shop for ingredients in the international foods section at a local grocery store. Share a "missionary meal" together. Pray for the missionary and the people who are hearing about Jesus, God's Son.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Acts 11:19-26; 13:1-7, 12.  
Remember, **We should help others learn about Jesus.**



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## CARE & SHARE

Plan a way your family can tell about Jesus. Pray together for people you know who don't know about Jesus. Make cookies and share them with a new family in your neighborhood or with a family you don't know yet. Ask if there is anything you can do to help the family. Be sure to invite the family to go to church services with you.



## FAMILY CREATIONS

Get a coloring book with pictures of Jesus. Tear the pages out of the book and spend time coloring the pages. Use crayons, colored pencils, markers, or water paints. Decorate the pictures with glitter glue or stickers. Write "Jesus is the Son of God!" on every picture. Fold the pictures and put them in envelopes. Send the pictures to friends or relatives and tell them the good news of Jesus.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Acts 14:8-18.

Remember, **We should help others know about God and His Son, Jesus.**





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## TOGETHER TIME!

There are lots of role models to follow, but Jesus is the best role model! Together make a list of people who members of your family might like to follow and imitate. Talk about why you would want to be like those people. Then make a list of reasons why Jesus is the best person to follow. Thank God that His Son set a perfect example for us to follow.



## GAME TIME!

Play a family game of Follow the Leader. Give each person a turn being the leader. Encourage leaders to give commands that others will be able to do. Followers should do whatever the leader commands. You might want to suggest doing various exercises, such as stretches, jumping jacks, or running or hopping in place. After your family has played and laughed together, serve a refreshing drink. Talk about the ways Jesus leads us and how we can follow His commands.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Acts 16:11-15.  
Remember, **We can learn to follow Jesus.**



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## FAMILY OUTING

Paul and Silas sang in prison. See how many different times and places your family can sing about Jesus this week. Try singing a song about Jesus in the car, on the way to school or work, before bedtime, before dinner, at the playground, and so on. Each day make a list of all the times and places you sang, and count them up at the end of the week.



## TOGETHER TIME!

Cleaning times can be family fun times too. As a family, pick a room in your house to clean. (The basement or garage would be a perfect place for this activity.) Gather cleaning supplies—and flashlights. Close window shades and turn off the lights. Take turns shining the flashlights on areas that need cleaning. As you clean in the dark place, sing songs about Jesus, just as Paul and Silas sang in their situation.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together portions of this week's Bible story Acts 16:16-34.  
Remember, **We can tell about Jesus even when it's hard.**



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## TOGETHER TIME!

Talk about why it can be hard to tell about Jesus. Ask each member of the family to name someone who might be difficult to get along with. Think of something kind that could be done this week for each person named. Maybe you could make and give someone a small gift, say something kind, or help the person with a job. Pray and ask God to help your family show His love to people, even when it is hard.



## GAME TIME!

Play a family game of What If. Ask, "What if someone laughs at you while you are telling about Jesus?" "What if a friend stops talking to you because you tell someone about Jesus?" "What if someone tells lies about you because you tell about Jesus?" Discuss how all these things have happened to followers of Jesus. Think through what your family might do in each situation. Act out your responses.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Acts 21:27–22:29.  
Remember, **We can tell others how Jesus helps us.**





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## TOGETHER TIME!

Have a Tell About Jesus day! Encourage everyone in the family to tell about Jesus in as many ways and places as possible that day. Encourage sending e-mails, making phone calls, or sharing with friends and co-workers. Have a family meeting at the end of the day to discuss how and where everyone told about Jesus. Write down all of the ways and places and count them up. Pray that each family member will continue to tell about Jesus.



## GAME TIME!

Play an alphabet I Can Tell About Jesus game. Sit in a circle. Ask each person to name a place where he or she can tell about Jesus. The place must start with the first letter of the person's first name. For example, Hannah could tell about Jesus in a house. See how many times you can go around the circle naming different places to tell about Jesus. You might want to try places that begin with the first letter of middle names too.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Acts 27:1–28:2, 7–10.

**Remember, We can tell about Jesus wherever we are.**



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## FAMILY OUTING

Your home and neighborhood are good places to tell about Jesus. Take a family walk inside the house. Stop in each room. Discuss ways to tell about Jesus in different rooms. Point out the books, Bible, computer, phone, and pictures that can help you tell about Him. Go outside and walk through your neighborhood. Discuss ways to tell about Jesus in a garden, on a playground, or along a walking path or bike trail.



## CARE & SHARE

Plan times to invite friends who don't know about Jesus to your home. In addition to playing together, plan to do activities that provide opportunities for telling about Jesus. Watch a Bible story or faith-based video, listen to a Christian CD, or color pictures from Bible story coloring books. Be sure to pray before meals or snacks and have a family devotion before bedtime.



## LOOK IN THE BOOK

Read together this week's Bible story from Acts 28:11-17, 23, 24, 30, 31; Philippians 1:12, 13. Remember, **We can tell about Jesus in everyday places.**