



At the heart of our vision is the desire to build bridges and build family. This resource is intended to be a tool that would help facilitate you, the spiritual leader of your family, to grow and develop your children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. While not exhaustive, our prayer is that it would give you a place to start in effort to better steward your role as mom or dad.

What follows is a four-day devotional that loosely follows our Sunday sermon series. It includes a passage to read, a prompt or two to discuss together, and a prayer to offer in response to your time. These efforts are simply offered as helpful direction. Feel the freedom to adjust, shift, or redirect the focus as best fits the few moments you take with your kids before bedtime, after dinner, or whenever you choose to lead them in God's Word.

Passage:

Read Romans 8:1-4

Prompt(s):

1 What does it mean to be condemned? Why do we all stand condemned before God, and how are we freed from our condemnation (vs. 3)? What difference does it make knowing that we are no longer (nor will we ever be) condemned?

Pray:

Thank the Lord for the freedom of the Gospel, that there is no longer any condemnation if we are in Jesus.

Passage:

Read Romans 8:5-8

Prompt(s):

2 What is something you have "set your mind to" (ie. completing a task/project/goal/objective)? Discuss the implications of all that is involved when you set your mind to something (How consuming it can become, how driven/motivated you choose to be). Consider what it looks like to set your mind to things of the flesh and of the Spirit, as mentioned in the passage, discussing what those things might be.

Pray:

Take some time to confess, if appropriate, ways your mind has been set on the flesh. Ask Him to grant you strength to set your mind on things of the Spirit.

Passage:

Read Romans 8:9-11

Prompt(s):

3 Who is the Spirit? Where does He live, according to this passage, and when did He arrive? What is His ultimate purpose, according to vs. 11?

For parents: Consider what John 15:26 communicates about the role of the Holy Spirit.

Pray:

Thank God for the gift of His Holy Spirit and the work He does within us.

Build your own Bible Time

4 The intent for the final Bible Time of the week is to help put you, the parent, in the driver's seat of your children's spiritual development. This day assumes that you are growing and learning from God's Word and it gives you an opportunity to model that with your family. As with the days prior, take a few minutes to simply share what you're learning in your personal time with the Lord. Focus on something you read from scripture, then discuss what it means. Finally, teach them how you are applying it to your life. Try to give them the gift of how to observe, interpret and apply, what the Bible says, to their daily lives.

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