



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 11:1-6

#### Prompt(s):

Remember, Paul was a serious follower of the Jewish tradition (Acts 22:3-16). He uses his experience to help his audience understand that God has not rejected the Jews. Why do you think he uses his story to emphasize, again, the importance of grace, highlighted in verse 6?

#### Pray:

Thank the Lord that He continually repeats the importance of grace in our walk with Him.

#### Passage:

Read Romans 11:11-16

#### Prompt(s):

Have you ever been jealous? Can you think of a time when jealousy might be considered a good thing? How does God use the jealousy of the Jews toward the Gentiles to bring them back to Himself?

#### Pray:

Ask God to make you jealous for His name and the things important to Him.

#### Passage:

Read Romans 11:17-20

#### Prompt(s):

What does it mean to be arrogant or proud? Why are these things dangerous in our lives? Why does Paul caution the Gentiles about these things and what does he tell them to do instead (verse 20)?

#### Pray:

Ask God to protect you from arrogance and cultivate a heart of gratitude instead.

#### Build your own Bible Time

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.

## BBF Bible Time

