

Family Time Handout

Week of September 13-19



During the time of Passover, Matthew 26:30 tells us that they sang a hymn. Most likely, it was Psalm 118. As a family this week, read Psalm 118 together as a family and think on what it teaches us about who God is.

Day 1: Psalm 118:1-7

Day 2: Psalm 118:8-13

Day 3: Psalm 118:14-18

Day 4: Psalm 118:19-24

Day 5: Psalm 118:25-29

Following the *Risen Motherhood Abide Method* of “*How to Study Scripture with Your Kids*,” each day do these 4 steps with the section of scripture you are reading:

Step 1: Read the portion of scripture out loud. Next, remind them of these 3 things. “The Bible is True.” “The Bible is the most special book.” “The Bible is God’s word, written for us to know Him.”

Remind them to listen carefully because this passage will tell them important things about who God is, who we are, and what God’s plan is for us in Jesus.

Step 2: Observe. Ask your child comprehension questions to help them recall important details about the passage. Focus on: Location, Characters, Actions, Memorable/notable events – especially about who God is and what his plan is for people.

Step 3: Apply. Encourage your kids to think about how this text applies to their everyday lives. Have fun brainstorming!

This can also become a time of confession with one another, encouraging each other towards good words/deeds, offering affirmation to other family members and even openly sharing the gospel.

Step 4: Interpret. Make note of any questions your children have. These questions might be the only conversation starters you need to have some important light bulb moments. If they are stuck, consider asking: “Why do you think God put this in the Bible?” “How does what we read in this story show God cares?” “How does this show us Jesus?”

PRAY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY:

Praise God that His steadfast love endures forever.

Thank the Lord that He is good.

Confess that you do not always trust the Lord to be your helper.

Lament that you do not always trust Him to be your strength.

Ask Him to help you rejoice and be glad in the day that He has made for you.

MEMORY VERSE:

Psalm 118:3, “Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever.”