



WELCOME

@HOME: WEEK OF FEB 21

TEACHING EXPLANATION

If you are able to watch the teaching video from Pastor Dave this is a great follow-up for the video. You can also use these questions to talk through the Sermon Content from Sunday's Sermon.

- What is one thing that stood out to you from today's teaching or one thing you learned from Pastor Dave's message?
- Read Matthew 6:7-8 together as a family. When Jesus talks about not being like the people who say many things in the prayers because they don't know who God is, there is a heart problem of not understanding God's nature. Now, read our memory verse for this week. What is the nature of God when it comes to us?
- What does your prayer time look like currently? Do you spend more time praying for physical needs than spiritual or kingdom needs?
- What are some kingdom needs that you can pray for?

MEMORY VERSE

*"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and grate in faithful love. The Lord is good to everyone; his compassion rests on all he has made."
- Psalm 145:8-9 (CSB)*

This week we've included a Word Search that has words from the memory verse included in it. Find all the words and go over the verse together. Have younger kids who cannot read pair up with an older child to help!

THE HEART OF PRAYER

VIDEO NOTES

INTRO VIDEO:

Start here as Ms. Keelea kicks off the week with a brief look back at last week and a reminder of our memory verse from last week! Follow the Intro Video with a brief Icebreaker time.

TEACHING VIDEO:

Pastor Dave will bring us a short message that parallels the message we heard on Sunday morning regarding the heart of prayer, knowing who our Father is, and what we should be praying for.

OLD TESTAMENT STORY:

Ms. Joyce brings us to an Old Testament story found in the book of 1 Samuel about a woman who didn't pray like we would normally think to pray--she asked, continually, for something and her promise was that if she was to get it, she would give it back to God. Ask for something and then give it back? Find out more in this week's Old Testament Story!

WORSHIP:

As always we want you to lead your group in a time of worship. Feel free to pick additional tracks from the Woodlands Kids Worship Playlist available on YouTube but here is what we recommend for the week:

- Real Love
- Like You Love Me
- Deep Cries Out

WOODLANDS IN THE WORD

How are your kids doing reading through the 4 gospels with their families? We started the book of Luke last week! This week we are reading through Luke 6-10.

Did you know on Woodlands Kids Facebook page we also feature a question of the day that ties into what we are reading for that day? Encourage the parents in your @HOME Group to use this tool and you, as leaders, can use it as well to guide your group time!

PRAYER TIME

We are including several different activities for prayer this week! We are asking that your group times at least 2 of these activities together, as time allows.

PRAYER ACTIVITY ONE:

As a group take turns reading one line of the Lord's Prayer as outlined in Matthew 6:9-15.

PRAYER ACTIVITY TWO:

Talk about the characteristics of a dad. How do those characteristics reflect God's character? Pray to your Heavenly Father to thank Him for His love, His protection, His goodness.

PRAYER ACTIVITY THREE:

Take turns reading the following passages of prayer in the Bible and pray over these verses.

- Ephesians 1:18
- Romans 12:12
- James 5:16
- Psalm 4:1
- Matthew 5:44
- Matthew 7:11
- Proverbs 15:8
- Colossians 4:2
- Psalm 17:6

PRAYER ACTIVITY FOUR:

This is a great activity for younger children in your group. Use your fingers to pray-Thumb is praying for people closest to you, Index Finger is praying for those who teach you, Middle Finger is the longest finger so we are going to pray for our leaders, our president/governor/congress, Ring Finger is the weakest so we are going to pray for those who are hurting, Pinkie Finger is the smallest so we should pray for ourselves because our needs are smallest compared to praying for others.

GAME 1:

This week, we are asking @HOME Leaders to go to the Woodlands Kids page at woodlandschurch.org/kids. Scroll down and under this week's @HOME tab you will find a link to a Bible Trivia Game! You can play this individually, in teams, or as a whole group.

GAME 2:

We are in the Joyful Journey series as we look at the Sermon on the Mount. We know that winter can be long in normal life but in a pandemic it is much harder to find the fun and the joy when so many things are still closed. This game is meant to just be a good laugh amongst your group! Play as many rounds as your group would like within the time allotted.

The objective of this game is to get everyone to laugh while you can not laugh yourself. Have everyone sit in a circle facing each other. When it is someone's turn, they have to say or act something out to get everyone else to laugh. If you laugh, then you are out until the next round. Last person to not laugh wins the game! This game is as fun as you make it!

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- If you didn't watch the Old Testament video, you will want to open your Bibles to 1 Samuel 1-2:11 and read the story of Hannah together as a group.
- What did Hannah pray for?
- What was Hannah's heart like towards God?
- What did Hannah say she would do if she got what she was asking for?
- How can you pray like Hannah?
- What do you pray for when you pray?
- How can we pray like Jesus taught us to pray in Matthew 6?