



GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME

IDEAS FOR A DAILY TIME WITH GOD



THE IDEA

At present, we are living in very strange times.

There is such an opportunity for us as the Church and as individuals to re-focus our priorities and go deeper in our relationship with God.

With families being stuck at home due to Government regulations, church has moved into the home environment.

Wouldn't it be amazing if the Church around the nation turned their homes into houses of prayer at this time?

We understand your children are unlikely to connect with a long online prayer meeting (plus, they are often after bedtime).

So hopefully this resource may help with some creative ideas of how to have a God-connected time in your home.

There is no set pattern, pick whichever ones are possible and give it a go...you can also use any of your own ideas too.

We pray that God moves in your family in a powerful way.

USING THE RESOURCE

READ:

The ideas give a Bible reference to start with. Taking time to help each other find the correct book, chapter and verse is a great way of helping your children to find their way around their Bible. You could choose one person to read the verse or repeat it by having everyone have a go at reading.

CHAT:

Once you have read the Bible together, spend a few minutes chatting out loud about your thoughts and questions. Let the conversation flow, even if there are some strange tangents (you can bring it back in whenever you want to), If you are stuck for conversation ideas, there are some suggestions in the resource.

CONNECT

Our relationship with God is two-way and rather than just 'praying to Him', these ideas could help us connect with Him in a deeper way. There are a variety of ideas shared but feel free to use your own creativity and follow wherever God leads.



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IDEAS FOR
22ND - 29TH JUNE

PASTA PASTOR

READ: ACTS 20:28

CHAT:

God places people as leaders in the church to help guide us. Who are your church leaders? How are they like shepherds?

CONNECT:

Pasta and pastor sound the same - so gather a few different types of pasta (penne, spaghetti, lasagne etc) and use the shape of the pasta to guide your prayers for your pastor and church leaders.

TAKE A STEP

READ: PROVERBS 16:9

CHAT:

God has a plan, a special plan just for you. He will lead you in your steps both now and in the future. How does God guide us?

CONNECT:

Time to get a little messy and make some footprints - this could be with paint and bare feet or mud and shoes. Make your footprint and ask God what steps He is wanting you to take, listen to what He says.

WINNER DINNER

READ: ROMANS 8:37

CHAT:

We are more than conquerors. This sounds exciting, but what does it mean? Why are we conquerors? How does this change how we live?

CONNECT:

Celebrate in style with a feast for a winner. Choose some of your favourite fancy food and have a winner's dinner. You could even decorate the table. As you eat together share about what God has done to help you be a conqueror.

HEADPHONE ZONE

READ: LAMENTATIONS 3:25-28

CHAT:

How do you feel when it's silent? Why do you think the Bible says to wait quietly for the Lord?

CONNECT:

Find some space and quiet to have your own time being still. Wait quietly for God. If you want to put some headphones on (with or without music) it might help to take away the background noise. Let the Holy Spirit fill you and speak to you.

SOAKED THROUGH

READ: JOHN 7: 37-39

CHAT:

Jesus uses a picture to describe something deep here. What do you think Jesus means by rivers of living water?

CONNECT:

Let's get WET! Decide how you're going to get soaked; a sprinkler, water fight, rain? Pray before hand and ask God to soak you with His Holy Spirit more than you can get soaked with water. When you've prayed - GO GET WET!

ARMOUR DRAMA

READ: EPHESIANS 6:10-18

CHAT:

What parts of the armour of God have you acted out already? Choose a different piece to focus on today.

CONNECT:

Have a go at making that piece of the armour with items from around the home & some recycling junk. Pass the piece round, act out God's protection with that piece and pray for the person who is wearing/holding the armour.

SIGNED PRAISE

READ: ISAIAH 25:1

CHAT:

Worshipping God comes from the heart. Deaf/mute people use sign language because they can't sing along. Have you ever seen someone sign?

CONNECT:

Search on YouTube for worship sign language. See if you can learn some actions to a song. God hears what you're saying, even if you're not saying out loud. You could even carry on practising the signs so you remember them.