



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
29 JUNE - 6 JULY

MALLOW MISSION

READ: ROMANS 5:3-5

CHAT:

Do you know what the word perseverance means? When have you needed perseverance before? What does this verse teach us about persevering?

CONNECT:

Search online for instructions for the marshmallow spaghetti challenge. Try making your own tower. When you have finished, stop and pray, talking to God about times you may need his help to persevere. Let His Spirit fill you and help you.

RAISING ROCKET

READ: PSALM 148: 1-5

CHAT:

In this Psalm, the sun and moon worship God. What do you imagine it would look like to see these parts of creation worshipping?

CONNECT:

Let's lift praises high up to God. Make your own worship rocket today using recycling, junk or bits from around the home. Decorate your rocket with your own words of praise to lift up to God. See how high you can throw your rocket.

POTATO PRINT

READ: PSALM 16:11

CHAT:

When we follow God, He fills our hearts with joy. What does joy feel like? Can you think of a time when you felt really joyful?

CONNECT:

Find some paper, paint and a potato. Think of a shape that represents joy to you. Ask an adult to cut that shape in the potato to make a stamp. Use the paint to stamp paper and pray that God would fill you and those around you with joy.

COAT OF ARMS

READ: JOHN 1:12

CHAT:

God chooses you to be a part of His family - you are His child. What does this mean? How does it make you feel?

CONNECT:

Do you know what a coat of arms is? Have a look online and see if your family name has one, or maybe someone you know. People usually include things that are important to their family in a coat of arms. Spend time with God and design a coat of arms for you and Him.

COMIC 'BOOK'

READ: JOEL 1:2-3

CHAT:

This verse talks about the importance of passing on the Bible stories to future generations. Why do you think this is important?

CONNECT:

Bible stories are amazing, they help us to understand God. Choose a Bible story and have a go at drawing it out comic book style. When you've finished show each other your comic books and enjoy sharing the 'Book'.

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.

SHADOW SKETCH

READ: PROVERBS 27:19

CHAT:

Where can you see your reflection? This proverb says the heart reflects the man. What does this mean?

CONNECT:

Find a way to make a shadow of yourself (you could use the sun or a light). Take it in turns to draw around each others shadows (floor chalk or pen & paper). When you have an outline, pause and listen to what God sees reflected in your heart. Write it down.