



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
27 APRIL - 3 MAY

WHOSE EYES?

READ: PSALM 119:9-18

CHAT:

What does it mean to open up our eyes to God? How might God's way be different to our way?

CONNECT:

Use binoculars, sunglasses, glasses, glass tumbler and/or a magnifying glass and let each other try them to see how different things look. Make your own pair of glasses or binoculars with paper/card and ask God to help you see things His way.

SNOWBALL TRASH

READ: COLOSSIANS 2:14-15

CHAT:

When you say sorry to God for something, He forgets about it and loves you still. What do you think/feel about this?

CONNECT:

Grab a load of scrap pieces of paper and put a bin in the middle. Write something you're sorry for, screw the paper up and try to throw it into the trash. Keep going until you get it in. Do as many throws as you want too, God forgives infinitely.

LEADER LIFT UP

READ: 1 TIMOTHY 2:1-4

CHAT:

What leaders can you think of (school, government, royalty, family)? Why do you think it's important to pray for them?

CONNECT:

Draw a picture of a leader that God puts on your heart. Pray for God to lead and guide them. If it helps write the prayer on the same paper as the picture. If you know the person, maybe you could send them a copy of your prayer to encourage them.

ALPHABET PRAISE

READ: PSALM 103:1-13

CHAT:

In what ways is does your inmost being praise God? What about His character are you thankful for today?

CONNECT:

Praise Him together...go through the alphabet, and share out loud attributes of God that begins with this letter. You could get creative and use alphabet potato shapes/alphabet spaghetti/alphabet cards or anything with letters on.

FINGERPRINT DNA

READ: PSALM 139:1-6

CHAT:

Have a look at each others fingers, everyone has a different fingerprint, even identical twins. Chat about how God made us all unique.

CONNECT:

Make some finger prints on paper or card using paint, facepaint, makeup or stamp ink (felt tip pen can work if you're quick). Ask God what He thinks is unique about you...write it down with your unique fingerprints.

GOOD GOOD GOD

READ: 1 CHRONICLES 16:31-36

CHAT:

God is good...all the time. What things about God are good? Are there times when you feel He's not good? Chat about your thoughts together.

CONNECT:

Search for some twigs on your walk today. When you're back home, make them into a cross shape. Use paper and string/ribbon to hang notes on the tree of things you are thankful to God for.

BIBLE BLAST

READ: JOSHUA 1:8

CHAT:

The Bible is full of God's promises that help us. What Bible verses do you know that encourage you?

CONNECT:

Time to get the post it notes (or similar slips of paper) ready. Find some Bible verses that will encourage you and others and write them down on separate post-its. Have a Bible verse blast all over the house, sticking them in places you will see day and night.