



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
8TH - 15TH JUNE

JUICE COMBO

READ: PSALM 107:9

CHAT:

It's true, God satisfies the thirsty. But what does that mean? Have you ever felt spiritually thirsty and needed refreshing by the Holy Spirit?

CONNECT:

Put out a mix of different drinks (eg squash, fruit juice) in small jugs/cups. Assign each drink to a different good thing that comes from God. Take an empty cup each and fill it with what you would like God to fill you with. Enjoy.

SIN BIN THROW

READ: 1 JOHN 1:9

CHAT:

If you wanted to get rid of something forever, what would you do? God removes our sin forever when we say sorry to Him.

CONNECT:

Empty a bin and put it in the middle of the room. Write some things you want to say sorry to God for on paper. Screw them up and throw them into the bin (a bit like basketball). Remember to recycle the paper afterwards.

IMAGE OF GOD

READ: GENESIS 1:27

CHAT:

God created all people in His image...it is sad when people like George Floyd are treated differently because of their skin colour. How do you think God feels about racism?

CONNECT:

Discuss injustice and racism together. Be honest and vulnerable. Think of someone you look up to who has a different skin colour to you (someone you know or a celebrity). Thank God for them.

PROPHETIC PENS

READ: ISAIAH 28:23

CHAT:

God speaks in lots of different ways. List ways that God speaks to people. Think about ways He speaks in the Bible and how He speaks today.

CONNECT:

Take some felt tip pens and a piece of paper each. Chose a worship song or 2 to play. Whilst the music is playing, take a deep breath, relax and listen out to what God is saying. Draw whatever comes to mind.

SLEEPING ROUGH

READ: PROVERBS 31:8-9

CHAT:

Have you ever walked passed a homeless person? What did you feel? How do you think they feel having nowhere to live?

CONNECT:

If you have a sleeping bag – get in it (or use a blanket instead) and imagine what it would be like to only have that space to live. And what it must be like to move every night. Pray for the homeless, think about your town too.

ARMOUR DRAMA

READ: EPHESIANS 6:10-18

CHAT:

What do you already know about the armour of God? Choose one piece of the armour 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.

BOUNCING PRAISE

READ: PSALM 34:1

CHAT:

We can worship God wherever we are and whatever we're doing. Where's the strangest place you've ever praised or prayed to God?

CONNECT:

Let's multi-task. Have a go at praise God whilst doing something else at the same time. Find somewhere to bounce: a trampoline, bed, skipping rope or just the floor. Try to praise God with a different word each bounce.