



# LIMITLESS KIDS

## GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME

IDEAS FOR A DAILY TIME WITH GOD



### THE IDEA

Originally produced by our team during the global pandemic of 2020 this resource is still relevant for families who want to connect with God.

Children spent a large majority of their time at home and as parents we have the responsibility of discipling our children but sometimes it's hard to know where to start.

We understand your children are unlikely to connect with a long prayer meetings and creativity and interaction is key.

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.



## GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME (17)

### LIGHT IT UP

READ: 2 CORINTHIANS 4:6

#### CHAT:

Think about God's light. In what ways has God's light shined in your life? How does God's light change how you live and the decisions you make?

#### CONNECT:

Fill a sink or bath up with water and find fun ways to make the water dirty (mud, food colouring, ketchup etc). Reflect on wrong things you have done and when you are ready, say sorry to God, pull the plug and let the water go.

### SPONGE OR STONE

READ: EZEKIEL 36:26

#### CHAT:

This verse sounds a little bit scary; but don't worry, there is no real surgery needed. What does it mean that God will give a new heart?

#### CONNECT:

Find yourself a stone from the garden and a sponge from the kitchen/bathroom. Fill a bowl with water and see how much water the sponge and stone soak up. Pray and ask God that your heart would soak up Him like a sponge.

### HOW HIGH?

READ: EPHESIANS 3:16-19

#### CHAT:

God's love is so big that we can't every fully understand it. Try to come up with some words that best describe God's love.

#### CONNECT:

Go around your home with a tape measure and measure how tall some of the things you use most are. Think about God's love...and how it above everything. Ask God to tell you a little bit about His love for you today. Write it down.

### DRUM FUN

READ: PSALM 150:1-6

#### CHAT:

What instruments does the worship band use at your church? Which one do you like most?

#### CONNECT:

Make your own drums today; use old tins and cover them with balloons (or just get some pots and pans out). Wack up the volume on the worship music have have some fun bashing the drums as you worship God loudly.

### POPPING CORN

READ: ROMANS 12:2

#### CHAT:

What is transformation? How does God transform our minds? Why are we told not to conform to the ways of this world? What does this mean?

#### CONNECT:

Make some popcorn (in a pan or microwave). Feel the difference of the corn before and after and think about how God transforms us when we give ourselves to Him. Watch the transformation of the popcorn when it is placed in the heat.

### PASTA THREAD

READ: LUKE 18:25

#### CHAT:

This is a very strange image, a camel won't fit through a needle. What is Jesus trying to say with this illustration?

#### CONNECT:

Take some pieces of pasta and thread to make a necklace. See how hard it is to put the pasta on the thread. Think about how hard it can be to follow God at times. Pray for each other; ask for strength and guidance by the Holy Spirit.

### SOCK STOCK

READ: PSALM 23:6

#### CHAT:

God's goodness and mercy follow you. Share of a recent time when you have known God's goodness or mercy.

#### CONNECT:

Grab some socks and tuck them into pairs to make sock balls. Put a bucket, box or basket in the middle of the room and throw your socks in. Say something you thank God for each time you throw a pair of socks. Keep going until you get all your socks in.



## GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME (18)

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## MAKE IT SHARPER

READ: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:7

### CHAT:

We walk by faith and not by sight...what does this mean? Can you think of a time when you have or known someone who has walked by faith?

### CONNECT:

Get out a pencil sharpener and get a pile of pencils or colouring pencils ready. Spend time sharpening each one. As you're doing it chat to God and each other about how you can make your faith sharper.

## LASER ADVENTURE

READ: ROMANS 5:3-5

### CHAT:

God is with us in the good times and the bad times. What can we hold onto in times of suffering?

### CONNECT:

Make a laser trap at home using tape or string between 2 walls or a door. Have a go at working your way through it. Keep making it harder by adding more lasers. When you have finished, stop and pray for those you know who are in a time of suffering.

## RIBBON TWIRL

READ: PSALM 20:5

### CHAT:

What is a victory? What victories has God won? How can you celebrate and thank Him?

### CONNECT:

Get crafty and make your own ribbon streamer today (use a stick/straw and different coloured ribbon). Think of all the good things about God and worship Him using your streamer. If you want to, you can thank Him for a specific victory He has won.

## BIBLE SHOW

READ: PSALM 145:4

### CHAT:

What is a generation? How many generations of people are there in your family? How are you different/similar?

### CONNECT:

Find a Bible story you've read recently or one that you really enjoy. Using your imagination, acting skills and props from around your home- have a go at performing a Bible show of to tell that story to a different generation in your family. That means adults perform for the kids too :P

## GOOGLE EYE VIEW

READ: PSALM 33:12-15

### CHAT:

There are 7.5 billion people who live in the world. And God sees every single one of them. How do you think He does that?

### CONNECT:

Do you know of anyone who is a missionary in a different country? See if you can find out where in the world they live. Search on Google maps the location of their area and have a look at how different it is from where you live. Pray for God to move in that area.

## HOW LOW?

READ: EPHESIANS 3:16-19

### CHAT:

God's love is so big that we can't every fully understand it. How do we experience God's love? Chat about different experiences.

### CONNECT:

Using a spade or your hands, dig a deep hole in the ground. Imagine how deep the earth goes and ask God to tell you more about the depth of His love. Remember some times when you have sensed His love deeply.

## COMMUNION

READ: MATTHEW 26:26-28

### CHAT:

Communion is something that often happens at church. Why do we take it? What do the bread and wine mean?

### CONNECT:

Spend some time together taking communion. Spend time reflecting on the bread and the wine and the different meanings of them. Make sure to prepare your heart before taking the bread and juice - let God's forgiveness bring healing and peace.



## GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME (19)

### FEISTY ICY

READ: ISAIAH 45:3

#### CHAT:

God's treasure is not money, it's much more valuable than that. What hidden treasures do you think God has?

#### CONNECT:

In preparation for this, find some coins and freeze the 'treasure' in ice cube trays (or mini plastic tubs). When you're ready get the ice out. As you're waiting for the ice to melt to get to the treasure talk to God about waiting for His treasure.

### STATIC BUZZ

READ: MATTHEW 5:16

#### CHAT:

What we do can have an affect on other people. Can you think of a time when someone else's actions have affected you?

#### CONNECT:

See if you can create a static shock (rubbing your hands on balloons, carpet or a trampoline are great for this). Ask God to pray that you would have a positive effect on people around you. Pass on the static buzz in your fingers to someone else.

### JIGSAW PIECES

READ: EPHESIANS 2:10

#### CHAT:

How does it make you feel knowing that God has a plan for you? God had a reason for giving you your family/carers.

#### CONNECT:

Using a piece of paper, create your own family jigsaw. Cut the paper into the number of people you have in your family and write a name on each jigsaw piece. Take time to write something encouraging on each persons paper. Listen to what God says to write.

### OBSTACLE COURSE

READ: ISAIAH 41:13

#### CHAT:

What sort of obstacles does life sometimes bring? How does this verse bring comfort and help in these times?.

#### CONNECT:

Create an obstacle course using items in your home and have fun trying to master the course. Pray for someone you know who is going through a hard time - ask God if there is anything He would like you to say to them. If God gives you somethings, write/draw it down to tell them.

### ITS IN MY HEAD

READ: PSALM 119:11

#### CHAT:

What Bible verses do you know off by heart? See how many you can come up with together that you can remember word for word.

#### CONNECT:

Store up God's word in your heart by choosing a verse to memorise this week. If you're really up for a challenge you could do one verse a day. Say the words out loud throughout the day and test each other. Let His word sink in.

### DISCO PRAISE

READ: PSALM 150:6

#### CHAT:

God never changes. He is worthy of our praise no matter what we feel like. What reasons do you have to worship God today?

#### CONNECT:

Do you enjoy a disco? Create a disco praise space. Use music, different lights, blankets for a dance floor and other creative ways. Take a video of your disco praise and share with your friends how fun it is to sing to God.

### YUMMY HONEY

READ: PSALM 119:103

#### CHAT:

What are favourite sweet snacks? What does this verse mean when it compares God's Word to honey?

#### CONNECT:

Gather a collection of yummy sweet treats and enjoy tasting each of them. Which ones are your favourite? Spend some time chatting with God about what you think about the Bible? Listen to His response and follow His lead if he gives you a verse to look at.





## GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME (20)

### SHINING STARS

READ: EXODUS 33:19

#### CHAT:

God's goodness is all around us - even in the difficult times. In what things do you see God's goodness?

#### CONNECT:

Cut some stars out of paper or card. Write down where you see God's goodness shine through on your star. Decorate it and make it look bright and colourful. You could even make a collection of stars and hang them up on string like bunting.

### THE WORLD

READ: PSALM 135:5-7

#### CHAT:

God is greater than all things. What do we sometimes put before God? How can we make sure to put Him first in our lives, homes, church?

#### CONNECT:

Find a space in nature where there is quiet. Reflect on the greatness of God. Look at the clouds, feel the rain, admire the sea or simply take in the wonder of nature around you. Think about how God created it and is in control of it all.

### LIVING WATER

READ: JOHN 14:4

#### CHAT:

Jesus said these words: what does He mean by living water? How might we experience His living water today?

#### CONNECT:

Test your balancing skills: fill up some containers with water, filling right up to the brim. See how far you can carry it without it overflowing. Fill it up again and see if you can beat your record. Pray and ask God to keep filling you up with His Spirit so you never get empty.

### BREAD OF LIFE

READ: JOHN 6:35

#### CHAT:

Do you like bread? What types of bread can you think of? What does Jesus mean that He is the bread of life?

#### CONNECT:

What is your favourite type of bread? Have a go at making it from scratch. Or if you're not into baking - see what epic sandwich you can make. Enjoy eating the bread til you're really full up. Ask God to speak to you about how He can fill you up with more of Him.

### TEASPOON PRAYER

READ: PHILIPPIANS 4:6

#### CHAT:

When you pray, how do you talk to God? Do you have a pattern you follow or do you talk like chatting with a friend?

#### CONNECT:

God loves it when we chat to Him about everything and anything. Use a teaspoon today to help you pray a bit differently.  
T - Thank You  
S - Sorry  
P - Please

### POSTCARD POP

READ: ROMANS 12:10

#### CHAT:

God asks us to love one another. How have other people shown you love? How could you show other people love?

#### CONNECT:

Find a blank greetings card or make a postcard with your own picture. Ask God to put someone in your mind and listen to what He wants to say to them. Write the message and post the card to them to show God's love.

### PROMISE FEET

READ: COLOSSIANS 3:16

#### CHAT:

God provides teachers to help us learn. What people have taught you things? Think of church and family as well as school.

#### CONNECT:

Have a little pamper session at home - and do some foot massages. As you are massaging someones feet, ask God for the words or Bible verse to say or song to sing. Have confidence to say it or sing it.



## GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME (21)

### PLAYDOH PRAISE

**READ: PSALM 117:1-2**

#### CHAT:

God's love is faithful and He is worth of all our praise. What do you think of when you hear the word praise? What does it mean to praise God?

#### CONNECT:

Using Playdoh, clay or even salt dough - create some sculptures of things you are thankful to God for. Share with each other what your sculptures are and why you are thankful to God for that thing. Take photos and post them online for others to see.

### PRAYER STICKS

**READ: MARK 11:24**

#### CHAT:

Share with each other times when you have seen God answer prayer. How much do you believe that God answers prayers?

#### CONNECT:

Find a stream or river and play a game of 'Pooh sticks' - but turn it into 'prayer sticks'. Ask God for something and through your prayer stick in the water - watch the stick float away and give your request fully to God.

### HEALING POWER

**READ: MATTHEW 10:1**

#### CHAT:

God is a healer - when have you seen God answer a prayer for someone else or you when sick or injured?

#### CONNECT:

Have extra faith and be bold. Who do you know who is poorly or injured? Call them up and ask if you can pray for them to get better. Believe God will answer as you pray. Often people who aren't Christians are encouraged when we pray if they are sick.

### PEACE BE STILL

**READ: PSALM 29:11**

#### CHAT:

What is peace? How does God's peace help us? With what emotions is God's peace a comfort and strength?

#### CONNECT:

Make a poster of this verse to remind you of God's peace. Write out this verse in cool writing (eg. bubble writing or graffiti) and spend time reflecting on this verse as you decorate the poster. Let God's peace refresh you as you sit still reflecting on His word.

### FAMILY FAST

**READ: MATTHEW 6:16-18**

#### CHAT:

These verses talk about fasting, what is a fast? Why do people fast? Have you ever done it before? How might it help you?

#### CONNECT:

Have a chat together about something that you could fast. There are loads of things you can fast other than food, eg: TV, YouTube, Games, Phones. When you fast it means giving something up for a short time and using the time for prayer instead.

### WHO'S SHOES

**READ: EPHESIANS 1:15-19**

#### CHAT:

What in this prayer stands out to you? Split the prayer up and see what different things are being prayed for by Paul?

#### CONNECT:

Grab a collection of different types of shoes from around the house. Take it in turns to pick a pair of shoes and think of someone who might wear that type of shoe. Pray for them - you could use Paul's prayer as a guideline or let the Spirit lead you.

### SAND TREASURE

**READ: 2 CORINTHIANS 4:7**

#### CHAT:

God has placed treasure in you and you are very valuable to Him.

#### CONNECT:

Hide some treasure (sweets, coins, beads, etc) in some sand or rice. Take it in turns to hunt out a piece of treasure. When you find it, take some time to listen to what God says about you. Remember, He loves you. Write it down and remember that this **if** you feel not good enough.



## GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME (22)

### GOD'S TRANSPORT

READ: ISAIAH 42:16

#### CHAT:

God will lead us and guide us when making decisions about our lifestyle and our future. Share how has God given you directions and guided you.

#### CONNECT:

When we go on a journey we sometimes go in some form of transport. Make your own transport today - it could be out of a box you can fit in or modelled with playdoh/food. As you make it, ask God to be the driver of your life and to give you His directions.

### INSIDE OUT

READ: PSALM 113:7-8

#### CHAT:

God doesn't look at the outward appearance of a person. What does this verse say about God's character?

#### CONNECT:

God loves and values imperfect people. Be a bit silly and wear your clothes inside out. Then talk to God about the poor, homeless, sick people you know of and ask Him to show them His love. Let God's compassion fill your heart as you think from the inside out.

### HIDE & RESUCE

READ: LUKE 11: 9-10

#### CHAT:

This verse says if you keep searching, you will find. What do you think can be found? How do you think we search for it?

#### CONNECT:

Play a game of hide and seek - you could hide objects instead of people if you want. When you 'find' take time to stop and ask God to help you seek out deeper things about Him. Remember to give space for God to speak as you seek Him.

### GOD'S SINGING

READ: ZEPHANIAH 3:17

#### CHAT:

This verse is so lovely. How do you feel when you read this verse? What does it tell you about God?

#### CONNECT:

On a piece of paper write the words 'I am...' Keep hold of your pen as you play some quiet worship music. Ask God what He wants you to write to finish the sentence. Even if you find what He says hard to believe, write it down. Spend time looking at these words, filling your heart with God's love.

### LET IT SHINE

READ: PSALM 37:5-6

#### CHAT:

When we trust in God, He fills us with His Holy Spirit. How have you seen the Holy Spirit do things in your life and family?

#### CONNECT:

Create some torch stencils out of paper. Draw an image on an A6 piece of paper. Cut out the outline to make a stencil. Using a torch, shine pictures using the stencils on a wall. Ask God to help you shine and reflect His image.

### DISSOLVE IT

READ: ISAIAH 44:22

#### CHAT:

When we confess our wrongs to God, He forgives us fully - all our sin is removed. When you think about this, what thoughts do you have?

#### CONNECT:

Have a glass of water and a dissolving vitamin tablet ready. Hold a vitamin tablet in your hand and say sorry to God for things you've done wrong. Put the tablet into water and watch it dissolve. Thank God for His forgiveness.

### KINGDOM COME

READ: MATTHEW 6:10

#### CHAT:

What is the Kingdom of God? What do you think it would look like if God's Kingdom came to earth?

#### CONNECT:

Gather maps of your local area, your school uniform, photos of family. Pray "Your Kingdom come, Your will be done" over these places or people. Be ready, God may ask you to be a part of His plan, so keep listening out for His voice.