

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church, and you can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK

PONDER POINT: GOD IS POWERFUL

Isaac's Birth

Genesis 17:15–22; 21:1–7

Abraham was 100 years old when his son Isaac was born, proving that nothing is impossible for God. He is powerful.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

PONDER POINT: GOD IS WITH US

Joseph and His Family

Genesis 37; 39–47

God was with Joseph throughout his life, even when his own brothers sold him into slavery in Egypt.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- Through the life of Joseph and his myriad struggles, we can learn about God being with us and working through us.
- For Joseph, his father, and his brothers, God used a devastating famine to bring healing and restoration of relationships.
- The sin and brokenness within Joseph's family is present throughout all humanity. But God has made the way for all who would receive Jesus to be adopted into His family.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

During dinner or snack time, read the biblical account of God and Joseph in **Genesis 37:3–4, 23–28**. Explain that God took Joseph to Egypt and gave him a message for the king (or pharaoh). **Read Genesis 41:28–40**. Then Joseph's brothers came to him looking for food, but they didn't recognize him. **Read Genesis 45:3–7**. Point out that God used Joseph's bad situation to do something amazing.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Do you think it was hard for Joseph to be nice to his brothers when they came to him for help?
- What did Joseph think when he saw his family again?
- How do you think Joseph felt about God?
- How does it feel to know that God is always with you?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how God Is with Us into your everyday life as a family.

REMEMBER VERSE

The Remember Verse focuses on a character trait of God that's highlighted in next week's portion of The Big God Story.

**The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises
and faithful in all he does.**
Psalm 145:13b

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **may your heart be filled with His love as you share with others that God is always with us.**

For more information about blessing your child, go to truministry.com to the Parenting tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit HomeFrontMag.com.