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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 BIGGER (PART I)

Joseph and His Family

Genesis 37; 49—50

Sold into slavery by his brothers, Joseph trusted God, who proved to be bigger than any horrible circumstance.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

REMEMBER & CELEBRATE

Feast of Passover: Remembering and Celebrating God as Deliverer

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

• The Israelite people celebrated seven festivals: Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, Festival of First Fruits, Feast of Harvest, Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, and the Feast of Tabernacles (or Booths).

• During the feasts, the Israelites ate, danced, sang, played instruments, prayed, and offered sacrifices to God.

• The Feast of Passover was a day to remember the Israelites' deliverance from the Egyptians, as well as to celebrate God—their deliverer.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Choose a night this week to serve a special dessert after dinner. While your family is gathered, ask each person the following question: How would you describe God? After each person has had a chance to answer, read **2 Samuel 22:1–4**. Together, discuss how David described God.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together: • What are some ways God has protected our family?

• Remind your child that God still delivers us today. Ask her if she knows how. Then explain that by sending Jesus to die for our sins, God gave us a way to spend eternity with Him.

• Pray together, praising and thanking God for delivering us from our sin.

Extend these questions into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how God is deliverer into your everyday life as a family.

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), God loves you. May you always remember the many ways God is with you. May you celebrate the ways He protects you and provides for you.

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

