

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 WITH US

Call of Samuel

1 Samuel 3

Although young Samuel served God in the house of worship, he didn't know God's voice. One night, God called him by name and Samuel listened. As Samuel grew up, God was with him and he served God as a leader of Israel.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

REMEMBER & CELEBRATE

Feast of Unleavened Bread: Remembering and Celebrating God as Redeemer

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- There are seven festivals that were celebrated by the Israelite people: 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 Unleavened Bread is a celebration of God's miraculous deliverance of the Israelites from the bondage of Egypt, and ultimately His deliverance from our bondage of sin.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Catch your children doing something good and celebrate together. Maybe they showed kindness to their siblings or listened and obeyed the first time you asked them to brush their teeth or go to bed. Catch them by surprise and create a celebration for their good choices. Use this celebration time as an opportunity to share with your children that everyone makes mistakes. Read together **Romans 3:21–26**. Thank God that He sent Jesus to be our Redeemer and continue celebrating.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Who does the Bible say has sinned?
- What does the word "redeemer" mean?
- What are some ways you can show you're thankful that your sins have been forgiven?

Extend these questions into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how God redeems 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 and will take care of you. May you know the saving gift of His Son, Jesus.**

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.