

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: JESUS IS GOD, PART I

Faith of a Centurion

Matthew 8:5–13

A Roman officer sent word to Jesus about his sick servant. He knew the man needed healing, and Jesus was the only one powerful enough to do it. Jesus healed the man with His words. The officer had faith because Jesus is God!

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

PONDER POINT: JESUS IS GOD, PART II

Calming the Storm

Matthew 8:23–27; Mark 4:35–41

Jesus and the disciples headed across the Sea of Galilee in a boat. Jesus fell asleep and the disciples were terrified by a sudden storm on the water. They woke Jesus and He calmed the storm by using only His powerful words.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Sea of Galilee sits more than six hundred feet below sea level and is surrounded by mountains reaching more than 2,600 feet above sea level. This landscape caused violent storms to quickly descend upon the sea.
- Storms on the Sea of Galilee could cause waves more than seven feet high!
- When the disciples woke Jesus for help, He simply spoke and the sea was calmed.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Read **Mark 4:35–41** before bath time. Then create some waves in the bathtub and ask your children if they know how to calm the waves. Remind them that Jesus calmed the waves with just His words. Ask, "What was Jesus doing during the storm? He was sleeping. Because Jesus is God, He knew everything would be okay. He has power over nature." Allow them to share anything in their lives they'd like to call on Jesus for. Pray together and thank Jesus that He is God.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Why were the disciples scared during the storm?
- What did Jesus do to calm the storm?
- How do you think the disciples felt when Jesus calmed the storm?

Extend these questions into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how Jesus Is God 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.

**For great is your love, reaching to the heavens;
your faithfulness reaches to the skies.**

Psalm 57:10

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 you know Jesus is God and that He has power over all of the earth. May you see more and more of Him each day.**

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.