

RAISE YOUR CHILD TO HUNGER AND THIRST AFTER RIGHTEOUSNESS AGES 5-8 (EARLY ELEMENTARY)

Teaching your child about the Bible

Read your Bible where your child can see you, share what you learn in your walk with Christ. Provide a kid friendly, easy to read Bible for your child to read with you and by themselves

Early Readers Bible - a.co/4tSeJiT

My Read and Rhyme Bible Storybook - a.co/isUIjoi

The Jesus Storybook Bible - a.co/0AE4lpJ ← Pastor Mark's favorite

Read and Learn Bible - a.co/2pKdvp4

Ideas for teaching your child to pray blog.cph.org/everyday-faith/life-of-prayer/

Devotionals

Portals of Prayer Daily Devotions by Concordia Publishing a.co/aCInckm

Faith, Hope, Love Devotional by Amy Parker a.co/e0zbbYg

Indescribable: 100 Devotions for Kids About God and Science by Louie Giglio a.co/3YQ6iQv

It's a Great, Awful, In-Between Day: Scribble Scrabble Devotions for Kids a.co/cUWhRg5

God's little princess bedtime devotional by Shelia Walsh (for girls) - a.co/5EY8w6

God's little warrior bedtime devotional by Shelia Walsh (for boys) - a.co/4dNvHOt

Growing with God Veggie Tales: For girls a.co/8ujjYm0, For boys a.co/eLnKNAV

Need more ideas on how to do devotionals? Check out blog.cph.org/everyday-faith/d-e-v-o-t-e-simple-steps-for-family-devotions/, youtube.com/watch?v=8NqcYP-YB1c

Mealtime

Discussion starters like these are great for to get kids talking and allows you to talk about faith topics: thefamilydinnerproject.org/tag/ages-2-7, createcraftlove.com/family-dinner-conversation-starters/, growingbookbybook.com/literacy-activities/table-topics/#_a5y_p=2979399

Free mealtime Devotions ourelement.org/downloads/family_mealtimes_devotion.pdf

Whit's End Mealtime Devotions by Crystal Bowman a.co/00Praue (free examples triciagoyer.com/mealtime-devotions-whats-on-your-label-plus-a-giveaway/)

School

Pray on way to school or before your kids go out the door for your child and their day. Send a note in their lunchbox/ bookbag with a Bible verse or a reminder that you are praying for them. Pray for and with your child for their teacher and classmates (esp. the difficult ones), maybe even ask for pictures of the classmates then your whole family will know who your child is talking about.

Learn from your child's teacher what is being studied. If your child is in our day school, so you can personalize and reinforce the Christian lessons they are learning. If your child is in a public school, you can add God's perspective to the subjects.

Out & About

Pray for before you go places for safety as you travel, for obedient hearts to God's Word (including yours) while out and about. Ask God to use you and your child when you are out to share His love. When He gives you opportunities (and He will), take them. For example, ask your waiter or waitress how you can pray for them before you eat when you go to a restaurant.

Media

Movie Reviews from a Christian perspective: pluggedin.com

Some Christian music options: Seed Family Worship a.co/8DTMQh9, Hillsong kids

a.co/bFcJh7s, Songs Kids Love to Sing 2 a.co/bu7KkoZ

Local *commercial free* Christian radio stations include 88.3 fm, 93.5 fm, 106.3 fm, 1030 am

Family Nights/Date nights

Have family time once a week to connect with each other and to encourage spiritual growth of your families. These books provide a night of family fun encouraging Biblical truths. Free Family fun nights itstartsathome.org/familynight/

Family Night Tool Chest : Introduction (and series) by Jim Weidmann a.co/fJHblyR

Family Faith Walks by Kelly Haack a.co/7MUWDgH

Take time to go out with one -on – one with just your child for some quality time. Use these resources to encourage their faith walk.

Let's Go on a Mommy Date a.co/gH5WYkJ Let's go on a Daddy Day a.co/2Wy1M7O

88 Great Daddy-Daughter Dates : Fun, Easy & Creative ways to build memories together by Ron Teigen a.co/7Efv0iP

Mommy – Son dates (I'll find one!)

Check this out : familylife.com/articles/topics/parenting/essentials/making-memories/10-ideas-creating-quality-time-with-your-kids

Bedtime

Make sure prayer time is part of your bedtime routine. You could thank God for the things you did that day, for the people you met or saw, and for those you are know are going through a hard time.

SHARE your highs and lows; READ a Bible verse or story; TALK about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows; PRAY for one another's highs and lows; BLESS one another faith5.org

Let your child listen to Adventures in Odyssey before bed.

<http://www.focusonthefamily.com/media/adventures-in-odyssey/> www.whitsend.org

A Great book for parents:

Family Trees & Olive Branches: Creating a Culture of Grace in Your Family, Christina Hergenrader, Available at CPH.org