Weekly Household Devotions

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Tuesday  Genesis 18:1-15  A son promised to Abraham and Sarah
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Looking Ahead . . .

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Household Service

Pentecost Series 2: Service to Our Family, Friends and Neighbors

These next several weeks we will focus on how service can be done in simple ways in the very places we live. We can change how we think about what we do in our routines and out of our routines when we remember our call to serve and love one another.

Week 4:

Discuss your job switch from last week (visit the website below if you missed last week). Were there new insights? How is service to family an important part of how we live as Christians? Now brainstorm ideas for how your family can or does serve either another family in your neighborhood or friends that you know. Maybe older kids walk younger kids to school or offer babysitting. Perhaps there are people you help by having them over for dinner or playing at a park. Maybe there is a neighbor who needs help getting the trash out or the plants watered or the pets walked. Think of one way you can serve a neighbor or friend together this week or next. Make a plan for everyone to have a part in making it happen.

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“Dinner” Devotions

Meal Prayer

Giving God, bless all that we have in our lives so that we may understand the abundance found in you. May we share your abundance with everyone in our lives! Amen

The Story

Jesus Feeds the 5,000 - Mark 6:30-44

Faced with a huge crowd of hungry people, Jesus finds a way to make a small amount enough for all.

Conversations

Day 1

Mark 6: 30-32
Jesus knows that the disciples need rest. How do you rest from work?

Day 2

Mark 6: 33-34
What kinds of things do you think Jesus was teaching the crowd? What would you like Jesus to talk to you about?

Day 3

Mark 6: 35-37
Sometimes Jesus asks us to do something that is hard (like feed 5,000 people!). When was a time that you didn’t think you could do what God was asking you to do?

Day 4

Mark 6: 38-41:
It’s easy to think that we don’t have enough in today’s culture. How can we think about living with the attitude of “having enough”?

Day 5

Mark 6: 42-44:
What would you tell someone else about this story? Would you tell about God’s abundance, the blessing of the bread and the miracle, or about how the disciples were unsure of Jesus’ power?

Blessing

After a day at work or school tell one another: Rest in the love of Jesus.
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