

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 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 LOVE

Parable of the Good Samaritan
Luke 10:25–37

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

PONDER POINT: JESUS IS SALVATION

Parable of the Great Banquet
Luke 14:12–24

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- Parables are told in the actual words of Jesus.
- Parables are stories Jesus told to communicate a message and teach people. Sometimes He used these stories to make His meanings clearer, while other times the purpose of parables were to hide information from those who “do not have ears to hear.”

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Invite your kids to help you set the dinner table. Allow them to decorate the table as if they are having a fun dinner party. Consider giving them the freedom to create a centerpiece and special place settings for each person. You might even want to ask a few friends to join you for this meal. Read **Luke 14:12–24** together at the table as you enjoy your dinner party.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- In the story Jesus told, what happened when friends and family were told the banquet was ready?
- What did the Master tell his servant to do? Why?
- Jesus has invited all people to know Him and be with Him. Who can have a seat at His table?
- Is there anyone we know who needs to know about Jesus? Who can we invite to join us at home or at church when we are learning about Jesus?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how Jesus gives us salvation 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.

**This is how God showed his love among us:
He sent his one and only Son into the world
that we might live through him.
1 John 4:9**

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 call on the name of Jesus with confidence and faith. May you receive His invitation to be in relationship with Him. May you have hope for your future because Jesus is salvation.**

For more information about blessing your child, talk to your ministry leader or see *Spiritual Parenting* by Michelle Anthony.