

Family Devotion Kit: *Spend Time with God*

Light the candle and place it on the mat. Keep the prayer cube and devotion ring handy. Find a Bible, a hymnal (or a computer device) and gather the family. Now you're ready to spend time with God...



Psalm - from *Psalms for Young Children*, by Marie-Helene Delval

Song - *Glory to God Presbyterian Hymnal* or
www.youtube.com music video suggestions and lyrics

Bible story - from *Children of God Storybook Bible* by Desmond Tutu or a Bible of your choice

Benediction - by Desmond Tutu

White Memorial Presbyterian Church Raleigh North Carolina

January

Psalm 113: All people everywhere, all who love God, let's sing for God today, tomorrow, and every day! First thing in the morning and just before bed, praise God!

Song: I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Bible Stories:

Jesus Goes to Jerusalem with His Parents Luke 2

Jesus is Baptized Matthew 3 & Luke 3

Jesus in the Desert Matthew 4

Jesus Turns Water into Wine John 2

Play and Pray: Roll the prayer cube and pray!

Benediction:

God wants us to fill our lives with love. Jesus says we should love God, love other people, and love ourselves.

How do we do this?

By doing three important things (recite together):

Do what is RIGHT

be KIND TO ONE ANOTHER

and be FRIENDS WITH GOD.

February

Psalm 116: I love God, because God listens when I talk; God hears my prayers. I love God, because God comforts me when I am scared. I thank God for protecting little children like me.

Song: I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

Bible Stories:

Jesus Goes Fishing	Luke 5
Jesus Teaches the Secret of Happiness	Luke 6
Jesus Blesses the Little Children	Mark 10
Zacchaeus Turns to Jesus	Luke 19

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March

Psalm 117: Everyone, everywhere, in every country in the world, sing a song to God! Let's praise God together, for God's great love and strength will last forever.

Song: I Danced in the Morning

Bible Stories:

The Law of Love	Mark 12
The Disciples Learn to Pray	Luke 11
The Lost Sheep	Luke 15
Jesus Feeds the Crowd	John 6

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April

Psalm 125: When I trust God, I am strong, like a city built on top of a big, tall mountain! I trust God, because God protects me always.

Song: Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Bible Stories:

Jesus Shares His Last Meal with His Friends Matt. 26

The Trial and Death of Jesus Matt. 26-27

Jesus is Alive Luke 24 & John 20

The Good News Acts 1

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May

Psalm 136: Thank you, God, you are so good! Your love never ends. Thank you, God, for making the sun! Your love never ends. Thank you, God, for the moon and the stars! Your love is forever and ever.

Song: Hymn of Promise

Bible Stories:

The Coming of the Holy Spirit	Acts 2
The Disciples Spread the Good News	Acts 2-4
Paul Follows Jesus	Acts 9
The Promise of the New Earth	Revelation 21-22

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June

Psalm 150: Everyone sing praises to God! Let's praise God with guitars, drums, trumpets! Or tap your feet and dance! Hallelujah!

Song: Come Christians Join to Sing

Bible Stories:

The Good Neighbor Luke 10

The Lost Sheep Luke 15

The Loving Father and the Son Who Came Home Luke 15

Sharing God's Plan Matthew 25

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July

Psalm 1: When I listen to you, God, when I do what you ask me to, I am like a tree planted by a river, a tree full of fruit with leaves that are always green.

Song: This is My Father's World

Bible Stories:

The Creation	Genesis 1
Adam and Eve	Genesis 2
Leaving the Garden	Genesis 3
Noah's Ark	Genesis 6-9

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August

Psalm 9: God, I thank you with all my heart for the wonderful things you do. When I am scared, you are always there to comfort me. I am so happy that I sing about how good you are to me.

Song: All Things Bright and Beautiful

Bible Stories:

Abraham Trusts God

Genesis 16-17

Strange Visitors

Genesis 18

A Wonderful Dream

Genesis 25, 27-28

The Story of Ruth

Ruth 1-4

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September

Psalm 27: God, you protect me. You are like a shining light in the darkness. With you, I am not scared. I want to live in your house, God. I want you to teach me the right way to live.

Song: I've Got Peace Like a River

Bible Stories:

Moses is Saved	Exodus 2
The Voice from the Burning Bush	Exodus 3-4
Let My People Go	Exodus 7-15
The Ten Commandments	Exodus 20

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October

Psalm 34: I will pray to God every day of my life. I want others to know how great God is; I want others to sing to God with me. With God, I have everything that I need. With God, nothing is missing.

Song: Seek Ye First

Bible Stories:

Samuel in the Temple	I Samuel 3
King David is Anointed	I Samuel 16
David and Goliath	I Samuel 17
Esther Saves Her People	Esther 1-10

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November

Psalm 47: Let's clap our hands and shout with joy, because God is a great strong king! Blow the trumpet for our king! God is king of all the earth. Let's celebrate with songs!

Song: Now Thank We All Our God

Bible Stories:

Isaiah Becomes God's Messenger Isaiah 1, 6

Jeremiah the Boy Prophet Jeremiah 1, 18

God Saves Daniel Daniel 6

Jonah and the Big Fish Jonah 1-4

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Psalm 89: God, you are so great! I want to tell everyone I know about you. I want to sing about how much you love me, about the beautiful world you made. I will sing for you all day long!

Song: Away in a Manger

Bible Stories:

An Angel Appears to Mary Luke 1

Jesus Is Born Luke 2

The Three Wise Men Matthew 2

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