



Weekly Family Worship

Nov. 23, 2014

Theme: Alive in Christ

Our Point: The believers message is Christ.

Read — Listen to God: Colossians 2:6-3:4

While there are many conflicting messages in our world, it is the message of Christ that Paul considered central. We need to focus on Christ, not on the things of this fallen world.

Worship — Praise to God.

God's not Dead — Newsboys

You may go to YouTube.com, use a CD, or choose a different song.

Do — Walk with God.

Option 1: Because of sin, we were spiritually dead. Because of Christ's sacrifice and resurrection, we can be alive. When Christ beat death, He gave us hope. He gave us a new life in Him and with Him. Because of this, our minds should be set on heavenly things; not preoccupied with things that will not matter in the end. Choose a charity with your family, and encourage your children to do extra chores or set aside money to give to that charity. Donate as a family, and thank God for the gift of life He has given.

Option 2: Divide a sheet of paper into two columns, one of which will be labeled "Human tradition" and the other that will be labeled "The Bible." Ask your family members to discuss the following:

- *What does salvation look like according to each of these viewpoints.*
- *In what ways are they similar?*
- *In what ways are they different?*

Pray — Talk to God.

In Christ, we are victorious over sin and death. Because of Him, we can have life. Thank God for His wonderful gift of salvation, and pray that He would give you ways to share this awesome gift with those around you who do not know Him.

Pray for the Unreached...

Country: Nepal

People: Dharkar

Main Religion: Hinduism

Christ-Followers: Few less than 2%

Status: Least-Reached

Bible: Complete

Declare his glory among the nations. Psalm 96:3

Memorize — Meditate on God.

Philippians 4:4 — Rejoice in the Lord always, I will say it again: Rejoice!

This week in Sunday School...

Preschool

Today your child learned how Paul was able to rejoice in the Lord even on yucky days. In his letter, Paul first told the Christians in Philippi to pray, stop thinking about bad stuff and start thinking about good stuff, remember to keep your focus on Jesus, and rejoice in all things. **I Can Rejoice in the Lord.**

Elementary

Your student learned about growing in thankfulness and in his or her relationship with Jesus. He or she learned the Bible shows us how to have a relationship with God; instructs us in the right way to go; helps us bear fruit; is filled with words of God's love to us; and encourages us to do what is right. It also teaches us to be overflowing with thankfulness. He or she was challenged to not just say you're thankful, but to demonstrate it through actions.

Youth

Teens discussed what it means to be alive with Christ. They were encouraged to focus on things of eternal importance rather than those things that are important in the eyes of the world. Explain to your teen the difference this way of thinking will make in his or her life.

How Should We Pray for Unreached People Groups?

Pray these same prayers for our City, County, State and Nation.

- Pray for great outpouring of God's Spirit on the people group bringing conviction of sin!
- Pray for clear, biblical dreams and visions and revelations of Jesus drawing people to Him!
- Pray for powerful signs and wonders of healing, deliverance and miracles!
- Pray for great revival on the Church to cleanse, empower and send them out to the lost!
- Pray that God will send more workers into His harvest in obedience to Luke 10:2!
- Pray for great people movements to Christ and Church Planting Movements!
- Pray that new converts will be biblically disciplined and will grow in Jesus!

For a monthly prayer calendar visit: JoshuaProject.net