

CHURCH@HOME

PREPARATION:

1. Let everyone in the family know when and where your worship time will take place. Mention it throughout the week or post something on the refrigerator.
2. Turn off all distractions. All electronic devices should all be turned off and stowed. You might even try taking the phone off the hook.
3. Have everyone seated together so they can see everyone. No one off in a corner or in another room.
4. You're going to need a bible. You can have one where you pass around to read or have each person bring their own. Your choice.
5. Get everyone involved. Take turns or assign roles - just as long as everyone is included.
6. Have fun. This is new. Just relax and enjoy the time together. Trust God to direct your time together.

THIS MONTHS THEME: POWER

1. WORSHIP

The goal of this time is worship. We always want to begin with praise and thanksgiving.

- Say a quick prayer to begin. Ask God to bless your time together
- Sing a worship song or two **OR** have each person share something God has done that changed them for the better.

2. SHARE

The goal of this time is to allow everyone to begin to open up and share. Remember not to interrupt or override, but everyone work hard to keep on topic.

Go around the room and allow everyone to answer these:

- What is the most powerful thing you can think of (other than God)? What is the source of it's power?
- What is the most powerful thing you have ever witnessed? What was the source of it's power?

3. DISCOVER

The goal of this time is to look into God's word and begin uncovering truths

- Read Acts 1:8, Romans 15:13, Philippians 4:13, Ephesians 3:16
What is the source of our Power?
- Read Romans 8:31-39, Ephesians 6:10-18
What kinds of things does God's power give us power over?
- (Read) God's power is not like an energy drink we can pull out whenever we need a boost - and then go back to the way we were when things calm down. God's power is made evident when I align my thoughts, decisions and actions with His. Scriptures say "He must increase. I must decrease". Another passage describes it "His strength is made perfect in my weakness".

4. APPLY

The goal of this time is finding ways to apply the truths from God's word.

- Share a personal example about how God's power has been made evident in your life.
- If we are struggling what can we do to experience the overcoming power God has given us?
- Where do you need God's power most in your life now?

5. PRAY

The goal of this time is to close out by going to God in prayer.

- Ask if there are any special prayer needs.
 - Pray for an opportunity to share this truth with someone who hasn't dissevered it yet
 - Remember needs outside your own family circle. Adopting a missionary or a country to pray for each time is a great idea.
- Gather together and pray.
 - Don't be afraid to allow God to move in this time of prayer. Powerful things happen when a family prays together.
- Group hug. Tell each other something that will encourage them.

CONCLUSION:

Don't forget to fill out the eval card. We want to keep improving!