

## Let's Talk: Day 1

Today's Reading: John 1:1-5

To set the mood for today, read the passage in the dark with a flashlight or candle. See if your kids can point out the name in the reading.

Questions:

1. Who was the "Word" that gave life to all men? (John 1:14 clarifies)
2. What are some nicknames you have and how did you get them? Jesus has been given several names. Why is He called "the Word?" What do His other names reveal about Him? (you can look up Isaiah 9:6 as an example or Google 'names of God')
3. How could Jesus be 'in the beginning' of time if he was only born 2000 years ago?
4. What do you think God and His Son Jesus might have talked about as they were creating the universe?

## Let's Talk: Day 2

Today's Reading: John 2:1-11

Discuss what weddings are like or share something unique about your own wedding or a friend's wedding.

Questions:

1. Who told Jesus they were out of wine at the wedding?
2. Do you think Jesus and His disciples liked going to weddings? Why or why not? Do you think Jesus liked to dance? Do you think He liked to sit at the tables and eat the snacks?
3. This passage highlights a short time at the wedding where Jesus performed a miracle, yet He was probably at the event for several hours before and afterward. How do you think you would have interacted with Jesus before, during and after He turned the water into wine?

4. Do you know of any other miracles Jesus performed? Has He done anything for you that you consider a miracle?

### **Let's Talk: Day 3**

Today's Reading: John 3:1-21

Share with your child your testimony of salvation or watch this one of Jeff Foxworthy [www.godtube.com/watch/?v=J2MBJFNU](http://www.godtube.com/watch/?v=J2MBJFNU)

Questions:

1. At what time of day did Nicodemus come to visit Jesus? Why do you think he came then?
2. How can you be born again? (John 3:16, Rom 10:9-10)
3. How are the characteristics of a newborn baby like those of a new Christian (e.g. walking, talking, feeding)?
4. Most great ideas have their origin in the Bible. For example, many movies have the good guys dressed in white and the bad guys in black. The Star Wars series even talks about the Light and the Dark sides of the Force. How does this relate to what God says about the light and darkness in verses 19-21?

### **Let's Talk: Day 4**

Today's Reading: John 4:42-54

Help your kids develop the scenes. What did it look like...how did the people feel...what might the characters have been thinking? Help them see these were real people, not just a "nice story" of a miracle of Jesus.

Questions:

1. Did Jesus go see the boy who was sick?
2. Imagine being the father of the dying child, whom you left at home to go find Jesus. If Jesus told you to return, and that your son was fine, what would you think or do? Today when you read Jesus' promises, do you have the same kind of believing faith in them that this father had?
3. Refer to verse 42: though we don't hear His audible voice, what's the difference between hearing about Jesus and having Him speak

directly to us? Describe a time when you knew Jesus / God spoke to you (through a specific verse, prayer of a friend, verse from a song, etc.).

## **Let's Talk: Day 5**

Today's Reading: John 5:16-24

Today's passage focuses on honoring. Help your family understand this concept by taking turns in showing honor to each family member. Also discuss what dishonor looks like.

Questions:

1. Why did they want to persecute and kill Jesus? (v. 16)
2. Why do you think most of the people alive at the time of Jesus did not believe He was God? If you lived back when Jesus walked the Earth do you think your response would be any different from those we read about here?
3. If someone asked you to explain how you know Jesus is God what would you say?

## **Let's Talk: Day 6**

Today's Reading: Genesis 1:1-3

Today's passage is a reference from our John 1 reading earlier in the month. Take a big piece (or several pieces) of paper and, together, draw out each phrase of today's reading. For younger kids, ask them to describe how you should draw it for them.

Questions:

1. What was the first item God created by speaking it into existence?
2. When you combine this passage with the John 1 reading, who else was with God during creation? What do you think they talked about during those six creative days?
3. We can know God by all the things He has created. What are your three favorite things that God has created? What do you think is the funniest thing God created?

## Let's Talk: Day 7

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

*Matthew 4:4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"*

Spend time together reviewing what God has done, what you have learned, how you have grown as a family, catching up on missed reading or doing a suggested activity.

Suggested Activity:

Spend some time setting goals for your daily family Bible time. Decide what time of day you will discuss the readings, if you will keep a prayer journal, if you will keep a journal of discussions, etc.