

Let's Talk: Day 64

Today's Reading: Revelation 18 / Family Focus: verses 20-24

We are finishing up the chapters concerning the tribulation. Hooray! Think about one of your favorite adventure movies and the scene right before the hero saves the day. Describe the scene. This is where we are today on the end times timeline. Tomorrow is going to be a great day.

Questions:

1. What happens to the city of Babylon?
2. What noises stop in the city?
3. Although Babylon is being destroyed, circumstances still look bleak. Do you have any circumstances in your own life from which you wish God would deliver you? If so, share. He will, in His timing and with His own methods, but pray about it today.

Let's Talk: Day 65

Today's Reading: Revelation 19 / Family Focus: verses 11-16

This is one of the greatest chapters in the Bible: Jesus literally comes down on a white horse and saves the universe! Share your "save the day" clip from your favorite adventure movie. You can go to YouTube and find an old fashioned silent film clip where the girl tied to the railroad tracks gets rescued by the hero.

Questions:

1. What is Jesus called in this passage (hint: three different verses include names)?
2. What do His names tell you about His character?
3. Who followed Jesus to battle?
4. How is this description of Jesus different from the one you read about when he came to earth the first time back in the gospels?

Let's Talk: Day 66

Today's Reading: Revelation 20 / Family Focus: verses 11-15

Today's scene is very much like a court room. You might want to Google images of what a court room looks like and where the judge sits. Without Jesus we have been judged guilty of our sins. Right now in the church age there is still time to choose Jesus and share his love with others.

Questions:

1. What throne appears in this passage?
2. What happens to the heaven and earth when this throne appears? Can you imagine what that might look like? What does that tell you about God's awesome power?
3. What event occurs at this throne? Are Christians being judged?
4. Hearing about the end times should motivate us to live differently, with an eternal perspective. Knowing there is a time where the entire world will be judged, how should that motivate you in sharing Jesus with your friends and neighbors?

Let's Talk: Day 67

Today's Reading: Revelation 21 / Family Focus: verses 1-7

The Bible returns full cycle in this chapter back to an Eden-like state. Have everyone describe what they think Eden is like. Which animal would you want to hang out with? Would you want to live by a river, ocean, or mountains?

Questions:

1. What descended from heaven?
2. What will there be no more of in this new heaven and new earth?
3. What do you think it will be like then?
4. Can you imagine being able to physically visit God on the throne in a real city on Earth? Do you think you would want to go? Why or why not?

Let's Talk: Day 68

Today's Reading: Revelation 22 / Family Focus: verses 8-21

Today we finish the book of Revelation. For many families this may be the first time to have read this book together. What scenes stand out to you? What part are you looking forward to seeing yourself? Do you have any questions you will want to ask God?

Questions:

1. Who is coming quickly? (Remember: God's timeframe is "a day is like 1,000 years" 2Peter 3:8)
2. What is the last prayer in the Bible?
3. What does it mean that Jesus is the first and the last or the beginning and the end?
4. Nobody knows the day, but focusing on His return can motivate us to make wise choices. If you knew Jesus was coming back tomorrow, what would you do differently today?

Let's Talk: Day 69

Today's Reading: Isaiah 65 / Family Focus: verses 17-19

Today's reading was referenced on Day 68 in Revelation 21. Many years before John had his vision, Isaiah wrote of the new heavens and new earth. God's Word is so amazingly consistent across authors, countries and hundreds of years. Play a game of telephone or charades. It's hard to keep a simple message straight, isn't it? Only God could have kept the words perfectly accurate in the Bible.

Questions:

1. What don't we remember anymore in the new heavens and new earth? Is it because we can't remember or choose not to, because the new place is so awesome?
2. What word pops out in verses 18 and 19? Do you think this place is going to be pretty good?
3. What will you NEVER hear in the new heavens and new earth? Can you imagine what that will be like? Do you think we will never have our feelings hurt or be physically hurt again? Knowing that, what would you want to try or enjoy doing in heaven?

Let's Talk: Day 70

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

Mystery Question for the upcoming week: What kind of example should youth be to others?

We are about to begin a new series on Finances. Our memory verse for this series is:

"Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share," (1 Timothy 6:18)

Take some time to discuss as a family what this verse means, and then begin memorizing it.