

Let's Talk: Day 106

Today's Reading: Mark 12 / Family Focus: verses: 28-34

There are many questions that we have about our life or the world. The only one who knows the answers to those questions is Jesus. If you could ask Jesus any question, what would you ask Him?

Questions:

1. What did Jesus say is the first commandment of all?
2. Who asked Jesus the question?
3. How can you show God you love Him with all you heart? Your soul? Your mind? Your strength?
4. What are ways you have shown love to your neighbor?

Let's Talk: Day 107

Today's Reading: Mark 13 / Family Focus: verses 24-27

A few weeks ago we talked about how Jesus was going to come back to earth. Draw a picture of what you think it will be look like when Jesus comes down from Heaven in the clouds.

Questions:

1. What will happen after the tribulation?
2. How will Jesus return to earth?
3. As Christians we have no need to fear. Jesus will protect us from the tribulation. What do you think it will be like to be with Jesus and His army as he returns to earth?
4. What other events stand out in your memory from our reading of Revelation?

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Today's Reading: Mark 14 / Family Focus: verses 3-9

Prepare a few items that have a unique smell (perfume, lemon, flower, cinnamon, etc). Put a blindfold on your child and have them try to guess the item. In today's passage, Jesus is covered in oil that smelled good. Which items smelled good and which ones did not?

Questions:

1. What did Jesus say the woman did for Him?
2. What is your favorite smell? Why?
3. Imagine you were that woman. What would you have been thinking right before you poured the jar of perfume? As the people criticized you? As Jesus praised you?
4. What do you have that you would be willing to give to or give up for Jesus? Are you willing to be criticized too? Do you desire Jesus to praise you?

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Today's Reading: Mark 15 / Family Focus: verses 25-39

Draw a picture of a cross. Brainstorm as a family sins you have committed (lie, disobey parents, etc.) and write down on paper. Then tape those sins to the cross you have drawn. Talk about how Jesus took on all of our sins and died for us on the cross.

Questions:

1. Who else was crucified with Jesus?
2. What did the people say as they walked by Him? Could Jesus have come off the cross if He had wanted to? What would you have done? Why did He stay on the cross?
3. What was the last thing that Jesus said before He died?
4. Do you believe that Jesus died for you and took care of your sin debt? Have you every prayed the ABC's to God? (**A**dmit you are a sinner, **B**elieve Jesus died and rose for you, **C**onfess Him as Lord of your life). If not, talk with your parents about what this means and how you can ask Jesus into your heart.

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Today's Reading: Mark 16 / Family Focus: verses 9-20

Make an invitation for a friend to invite to church. This can be a picture, note, text, or just person to person. Let them know what you do at church and why you go and think they would like it too.

Questions:

1. Who was the first person Jesus appeared to after He rose from the dead?
2. What was the response of the disciples to the news of His resurrection? Yet God used these very men to change the world. Do you think you are any different? Can God use you to change the world today?
3. What did He tell His disciple to do?
4. What can we do to spread the Gospel to friends, locally, and globally?

Let's Talk: Day 111

Today's Reading: Psalm 22 / Family Focus: verses 1-5

Pray to God, thank Him for all He has done; open up to Him about any hurts, worries, or problems you have. God is there for us and wants us to tell Him. Today's passage (referenced on Day 110) shows the amazing consistency of the Bible as it reveals many of the thoughts Jesus had on the cross.

Questions:

1. What time of day does the Psalmist cry out? Had God really forsaken him or did it just feel like it (see the next few verses)? Who else quotes this first verse in the New Testament (Day 110)? Had God really turned his back on Jesus? Why?
2. What happened to the Israelites who cried out to God and trusted Him?
3. Has there been a time when God was there for you when you were having a hard time?
4. Is there ever a time when God doesn't hear us or know what we are going through?

Let's Talk: Day 112

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

Mystery Question for the upcoming week: At what hour did Jesus cry out?

Here is a new memory verse for the next few weeks:

“As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.” (1Peter 4:10)

Go outside and do something as a family this weekend. Go to the zoo, have a picnic, go to a sports event. As a parent, ask God to show you how to start a natural spiritual conversation during this outing.