

## Let's Talk: Day 267

Today's Reading: Galatians 6 / Family Focus: verses 2-5

Share with one another your prayer requests. Then take the next few minutes to pray for each other.

Questions:

1. What are we to do for someone who is burdened? How do we practically do that?
2. Can you give an example of how someone helped you when you were overwhelmed in a difficult circumstance? Can you think of a Biblical example of this?
3. How are we supposed to help others with their problems yet also carry our own load? Hint: how might this have to do with our attitudes towards others and our own problems?
4. What should we do to those who teach us the Bible? How do we do that?

## Let's Talk: Day 268

Today's Reading: Ephesians 1 / Family Focus: verses 3-14

Today's reading has many key ideas of Christianity and many "big" words. Take a few minutes before reading to look up these words: predestined, grace, redemption, dispensation, and inheritance. Then read the passage. Finally take a couple more minutes to review the words in context to the passage.

Questions:

1. When in history did Jesus choose us? Doesn't that blow your mind?!
2. Who blessed us with everything spiritual and all blessings?
3. With whom are we sealed? Who is the guarantee of the inheritance Jesus has for us?

4. What are some of the things that God has done for us according to this passage? Even though we might not understand how it all works right now we can be thankful that God does!

### **Let's Talk: Day 269**

Today's Reading: Ephesians 2 / Family Focus: verses 4-10

Set a timer for three minutes and write all the "good things" you have done. Review the list as a family then tear it up and throw it away. Accepting Jesus in our heart is the only "good thing" that we can do to go to heaven.

Questions:

1. When did God make us alive with Him?
2. Even though our body is still on earth, where does God say we are spiritually sitting?
3. What are we saved by? If we aren't saved by works, then why should we do "good things"?
4. What does God say He wants to show us in the ages to come? How can this promise help us when our daily life is difficult?

### **Let's Talk: Day 270**

Today's Reading: Ephesians 3 / Family Focus: verses 13-21

Take turns sharing about a difficult circumstance when you were scared, overwhelmed or really down. How did you feel in the middle of the circumstance compared with after it was resolved? Paul tells us and shows us how to ask God for help during our trials.

Questions:

1. What does Paul do when he is in the middle of trials?
2. With what can we be strengthened? Can God's help ever run out? Knowing this, do you feel better about any troubles you have had?
3. In what should we be rooted and grounded? Do you think we can ever know how big God's love is?
4. How can these verses change your reaction to future hard times?

## Let's Talk: Day 271

Today's Reading: Ephesians 4 / Family Focus: verses 7-16

This website contains a survey to help you discover your spiritual gifts: [http://www.aophomeschooling.com/media/images/blog/hsview200909/Spiritual\\_Gifts\\_Test\\_for\\_Kids.pdf](http://www.aophomeschooling.com/media/images/blog/hsview200909/Spiritual_Gifts_Test_for_Kids.pdf). Use the survey as a discussion tool to share how your kids can use their gifts to serve.

Questions:

1. Name some of the specific gifts that God gives people in the church.
2. In what should we speak the truth? Share examples of the difference between speaking truth and speaking truth in love. Do you speak truth? Do you speak truth in love?
3. How can you use your gifts to serve Jesus? How can you develop your gifts so you can use them with even more effectiveness for Jesus?
4. To what does verse 16 relate the church? How important is it for the members of a church to work together? Why? What does it look like to people outside the church when we don't get along or work together? What can you do to help the individuals of a church work together?

## Let's Talk: Day 272

Today's Reading: Psalm 68 / Family Focus: verses 17-20

Today's passage is from Day 273 referenced in Ephesians 4. It is a song of praise to our wonderful, all-powerful God. Watch the video "I will Follow" by Chris Tomlin: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ohvhmGSfxI>. Will you follow God wherever He may lead you?

Questions:

1. How many chariots of God are there? If you were writing a song to God, what would you say about Him? He is as strong as... He is as loving as...
2. What is our God the God of?
3. What has God done according to this passage? What has God done for you in your life?

4. What part of your life do you need to let the Lord lead?

### **Let's Talk: Day 273**

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

Mystery Question for the upcoming week: What does God say children are supposed to do?

This week we learned so much of what God has done for us. We also learned that we are part of the body of Christ that needs to work together. Do something as a family to show the love of Jesus. You could help a neighbor, get involved in a local missions project or serve together in a ministry at church.