

Let's Talk: Day 50-Whole Bible

Today's Reading: Leviticus 11-13 & Psalm 40-41 / Family Chapter: Psalm 40

David was a man in touch with his emotions and exhibits a wide range of them in the Psalms. However, at some point in his psalms, David shows that regardless of what he is feeling, he will choose to trust God. Play a game of charades and see if your family can guess the emotion you are portraying.

Questions:

1. Where did David proclaim the good news of righteousness?
2. What attributes of God will preserve David?
3. Look back through the passage and list some of the emotions David might have had while writing this psalm. Act out a verse or two with strong emotions. Do you talk to God when you have strong emotions? Do you think He wants you to?
4. Discuss with your family a time when you have been bold in telling someone about God. Were you nervous about what they would think or say to you? What happened?

Let's Talk: Day 51

Today's Reading: Leviticus 14-15 & Psalm 42-43 / Family Chapter: Psalm 42

Discuss a time when you have been waiting for someone to be with you; maybe a relative or friend that was going to visit. How did it feel while you had to wait?

Questions:

1. What has been his food day and night (remember: this is a guy talking)?
2. If you were to rewrite the first verse in the illustrations or language of today, what would you say?

3. What pieces of advice does David give himself after acknowledging how he was down in the dumps? What would be an example of actually doing this?
4. Have you ever had a time when you were going through a hard time and needed God? How did you talk to God? What did you chose to do? Did He help you? If so, how?

Let's Talk: Day 52

Today's Reading: Leviticus 16-17 & Psalm 44-45 / Family Chapter: Leviticus 16

What does each family member think the word "scapegoat" means (get creative if you don't know). The word is defined and comes from today's chapter. At the end of your reading today, decide who had the best definition.

Questions:

1. What is the first thing Aaron does with the two goats? Who is watching this whole ceremony take place? Before many people could read, God taught the congregation by these physical pictures to understand spiritual things. Can you imagine watching this take place?
2. What happens to each goat? Why does the priest keep changing clothes?
3. Do you think it is fair that something innocent should pay the price for another's sin?
4. Who paid the price for the whole world's sin, even though He was sinless?

Let's Talk: Day 53

Today's Reading: Leviticus 18-19 & Psalm 46-48 / Family Chapter: Psalm 46

Watch the video "Be Still and Know" by Steven Curtis Chapman here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BgaHaioAiyg>. Now read Psalm 46 and compare the words in each of these songs. Which ones are the same?

Questions:

1. According to verse one, what is our God to us? Can you think of a time in your life where He was that to you?
2. What are some of the pictures this psalmist paints about God's strength? Do you think God can be that strong in your life? How [what hints does the psalmist give us]?
3. What can you do in your life today to be still and know He is God? Try to close your eyes and be still for one minute as you think about God. Was that difficult to do?
4. What distraction can you eliminate from your life for at least a few minutes a day to remember that God is God and nothing else should take His place?

Let's Talk: Day 54

Today's Reading: Leviticus 20-21 & Psalm 49-50 / Family Chapter: Psalm 49

How many details do you know about your great, great grandparents' lives? Share some old family stories. It is human nature to want to be remembered forever by humanity, but the reality is only God remembers all the details of all our lives. We should put the focus of our lives on pleasing Him rather than making a name for ourselves.

Questions:

1. What good is it to trust in your wealth? Can the amount of money you have affect whether or not you are going to heaven?
2. What does God say happens to our riches when we die? If that is true, how much time should we spend trying to get wealthy?
3. Who only redeems us?
4. Do you know people who are wealthy but are not happy? Do you know people who don't have many possessions but are content and even happy? Why do you think that is? Are you content with what you have?

Let's Talk: Day 55

Today's Reading: Leviticus 22-23 & Psalm 51-54/ Family Chapter: Psalm 51

Watch this video of the song "Create in me a Clean Heart" by 7th Harmony here:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p006tMMqhOI>. David writes Psalm 51 after being confronted by Nathan the prophet about his sins [see II Samuel 12].

Questions

1. What does David say about his sin/iniquity/transgression? Does he try to make excuses at all?
2. What does David ask God to create in him? What does that look like in our lives?
3. When you sin, do you ask God for forgiveness? Why is it important to ask God to forgive us?
4. What does God desire more than sacrifices? How do we do that practically? What kind of heart do you have? If appropriate, take some time and write your own psalm of repentance or draw a picture.

Let's Talk: Day 56

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

Mystery Question for the upcoming week: What happens if you see sin or iniquity in your heart? Psalm 66

This week we read several passages concerning God's care for us. Take a nature walk. Then spend a few minutes "being still and knowing He is God." If the weather is bad, create a diorama of the things that help you see God's power, care and love for you.