

## Let's Talk: Day 148-Whole Bible

Today's Reading: 2Samuel 16-17, Matthew 1 / Family Chapter:  
Matthew 1

Share with your family the most vivid dream you ever had.

Questions:

1. What Biblical characters do you recognize in the genealogy of Jesus?
2. Did these people ever make mistakes? How did God use them despite their imperfections?
3. What did the angel say to Joseph?
4. What kinds of conversations do you think that Joseph and Mary had while she was pregnant with God's son? What do you think it felt like for Joseph to feel Jesus move in Mary's tummy?

## Let's Talk: Day 149

Today's Reading: 2Samuel 18-19, Matthew 2-3 / Family Chapter:  
Matthew 3

Write a newspaper article or dramatize a newscast describing the scene at the Jordan River.

Questions:

1. What was the job of John the Baptist?
2. What were the different opinions regarding John the Baptist? Why do you think he had such a different effect depending on the person?
3. What did John say when Jesus came to be baptized?
4. Why do you think Jesus chose to be baptized?

## Let's Talk: Day 150

Today's Reading: 2Samuel 20-21, Matthew 4 / Family Chapter: Matthew 4

What are some temptations you face? Brainstorm together some scriptures you could use to fight back against these temptations.

Questions:

1. How long did Jesus go without food? With what did the devil first tempt Jesus?
2. For every temptation, how did Jesus respond? What does that tell you about the importance of knowing the Bible?
3. What can we learn from this chapter about the ways the devil tempts us? How can we be aware and then avoid some temptations in the future?
4. After the time of temptation what did Jesus spend the rest of the chapter doing? What does this teach us about the devil's timing? We often go through hard trials before God does something big in our lives. What would have happened if Jesus had succumbed to the temptation?

## Let's Talk: Day 151

Today's Reading: 2Samuel 22, Matthew 5 / Family Chapter: 2Samuel 22

Decorate a rock with your favorite verses from 2Samuel 2 Remember God is your Rock.

Questions:

1. What are some of the ways David describes God in this song?
2. What do you think David's mood was when he wrote this song? How can you tell?
3. Is your view of God as powerful as David's? Why do you think David had such a super-hero view of God?
4. How can God both have a voice that thunders (verse 14) and is gentle (verse 36)? Have you seen evidence of either of these traits in your experience with God? Explain.

## Let's Talk: Day 152

Today's Reading: 2Samuel 23-24, Matthew 6 / Family Chapter: Matthew 6

This week, make it your goal to secretly do something nice for a member of your family. During the week, as people notice the kind acts, they can post public "Thank You, Anonymous" notes.

Questions:

1. Do you have a favorite place to pray? Where?
2. If God the Father knows what you need before you ask, why do we need to pray?
3. What does Jesus focus on at the start of his example prayer? Do you ever start your prayers just focusing on God and His greatness?
4. What does Jesus teach us about worrying in this passage? How could seeking Him first help us not to worry?

## Let's Talk: Day 153

Today's Reading: 1Kings 1, Matthew 7 / Family Chapter: Matthew 7

Practice asking for forgiveness from family members if you have sinned against them this past week. The wronged person can then respond, "I forgive you as Jesus always forgives me."

Questions:

1. How does Jesus explain what a hypocrite is?
2. Jesus says to "ask and it will be given you." What are you praying for right now that is impossible to you but easy for God?
3. What does it mean that every "good tree bears good fruit but every bad tree bears bad fruit?" What are examples of "good fruit" and "bad fruit?"
4. Are you building your house on the rock or the sand? What evidence can you point to in your life?

## Let's Talk: Day 154

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

Mystery Question for the upcoming week: What are Jesus' brothers' names? Matthew 13

As a family, make a list of some activities you would all like to do together. Can you include at least one activity where you are serving others together?