

Let's Talk: Day 211-Whole Bible

Today's Reading: 2Chronicles 31-33, Luke 14 / Family Chapter: Luke 14

Brainstorm as a family one good thing you could do for someone who could never repay you.

Questions:

1. Why were the Pharisees watching Jesus? Did it seem to bother Him?
2. Where did Jesus say we should sit when we come to a party? Why?
3. Jesus spoke a parable about inviting the poor and homeless to a great supper because the rich and powerful would give excuses and not come. What is Jesus teaching about His invitation to Heaven?
4. What do verses 29-33 teach us about planning before starting a project? Are you a good planner? How could you apply these verses to help you?

Let's Talk: Day 212

Today's Reading: 2Chronicles 34-35, Luke 15 / Family Chapter: Luke 15

Parents: hide money for children to find. The entire family celebrates when it is found. Remember, we are worth much more to God than dollars or cents!

Questions:

1. What does the parable of the one lost sheep represent for us?
2. What mistake did the prodigal son make? How did his heart change when he had nothing? How did his father respond?
3. How does God the Father respond when we repent from our bad choices?

4. What mistake/bad attitude did the older brother have? Which character do you identify with most in this story? Why?

Let's Talk: Day 213

Today's Reading: 2Chronicles 36-Ezra 1, Luke 16 / Family Chapter: Luke 16

Give your children a specific challenge to demonstrate responsibility with a task or possession with the promise that they can earn greater trust and rewards.

Questions:

1. What problem did the rich man have with his servant?
2. What are some little areas where you can continue as a faithful person? What are some big areas you need to be reliant on God to help you be faithful?
3. What happened to Lazarus and the rich man after they died?
4. What does it mean that if people don't believe Moses and the prophets, they wouldn't believe someone who rose from the dead? How does that apply to the story of Jesus?

Let's Talk: Day 214

Today's Reading: Ezra 2-3, Luke 17 / Family Chapter: Ezra 3

God loves it when we praise Him. He loves it when we are not embarrassed to tell others how great He is. Take turns shouting out something you love about God or something you are thankful that He has done for you. (You should really try this!)

Questions:

1. What is one of the first things the people, who have just returned from captivity, started to do to rebuild Jerusalem? Why do you think they did this?
2. To accomplish a task, you need both leaders and followers. Can you identify some of each in this chapter? Do you think you are a leader? Why or why not?

3. When the foundation of the temple was laid, why did some men weep while others shouted for joy? Can you think of any events in your lifetime that had such a contrast of emotions from a crowd?
4. The noise of the people was heard afar off. What kind of “noise” do you think your church makes and how do you think it affects your community? Is there more weeping or joy? How about your family?

Let’s Talk: Day 215

Today’s Reading: Ezra 4-5, Luke 18 / Family Chapter: Ezra 4

Can you think of a time in your life – or in history – that someone tried to stop or sabotage a good plan? What was the response?

Questions:

1. What did the enemies of Judah and Benjamin try to do at the start of this chapter?
2. Why did Zerubbabel tell them no and how did the enemies respond?
3. Although generally we are supposed to share and be “team players” what are some ways you can tell when people don’t belong on your team or project?
4. Was the letter they wrote to the king true? Were the enemies trying to help the king? What was their primary motive?

Let’s Talk: Day 216

Today’s Reading: Ezra 6-7, Luke 19 / Family Chapter: Luke 19

Can you think of someone that no one would expect you to invite to dinner? If you could invite him / her, would you? What would you serve? What would you talk about?

Questions:

1. What did the servants do with the money they were given? How did their actions differ from one another?
2. What talents has the Master given you? What are you doing with them?

3. What job did Jesus give two of His disciples near Bethany? Since He is God, why didn't he have the colt miraculously appear? Why use people to find one?
4. What does this chapter teach us about God's plan and purpose for His people?

Let's Talk: Day 217

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

Mystery Question for the upcoming week: How many days did it take Nehemiah to rebuild the walls? Nehemiah 6

Disconnect from all the electronic devices and spend some quality time together at the park, pool, or playing board games.