Early Elementary



Unit 7 God's Special Son

Jesus is the Son of God. 1 John 5:5

When your family sits down to share God's Word, use this devotion on its own or go to https://davidccook.org/echoes/resources to watch **God's Special Son** before doing the devotion together. This devotion works well in March.

In the video, each child was special because they were good at doing something: throwing a ball, telling jokes, dancing, using sign language, and practicing martial arts.

What makes each person in your family special?

Being good at doing something or having a special place in a family makes people feel special. As we learn about Jesus' dying on the cross and then coming to life again, we know that God sent Jesus, His special Son, to do something that only He could do—die for all our sins and then come back to life again! And because Jesus is alive, we can live with God forever!

- What makes Jesus special?
- Memorize 1 John 5:5 together. How does this verse help you know that Jesus is special?
- How can your family show others that Jesus is God's special Son?

End with a short prayer: Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus, Your special Son, to die for all our sins and then come back to life again so we can live with You forever. In Jesus' name, amen.







Unit 8 God's Wonderful World

Everything God created is good.

1 Timothy 4:4

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It's fun to go to the zoo! The children in the video went on a scavenger hunt at a zoo. They discovered penguins and a petting zoo. They even popped up, in a bubble, in the middle of an animal exhibit. They saw many of their favorite things that God made.

What is your favorite thing (animals, plants, etc.) that God made?

One of the kids in the video said, "The world is amazing!" God made everything in the world to fit together—plants, seasons, animals, and people. In the winter, when it's cold, many plants don't have leaves. Some animals hide away from the cold and sleep all winter long. But in the spring, leaves come out on the trees and the animals wake up. Many animals have babies. Even cold, heat, and storms are part of the wonderful world God made.

- Memorize the first half of 1 Timothy 4:4.
- Go on a family scavenger hunt. It doesn't have to be at a zoo. Try a walk around the block, go to a park, or check out your backyard. Look for what God created. As you find each plant, animal, moon, star, etc., praise God for His wonderful world by saying 1 Timothy 4:4 together.
- God wants people to care for His world. What are ways your family can do that?

End with a short prayer: Dear God, thank You for making a wonderful world. Help us to take care of what You created. In Jesus' name, amen.







Unit 9 God Meets Our Needs

The LORD will indeed give what is right. Psalm 85:12

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The boy in the video went to his grandma's house when his mom had to go somewhere. Through his grandma and his mom, the boy got different things that he needed: food, shelter in a storm, a place to sleep, clothes to wear, love, and friends.

• God gives you what you need every day. What are some of those needs?

Just like the boy had needs, people in the Bible like the Israelites, David, Jonathan, and Elisha had needs. And we have needs. Needs are things like food, clothes, water, a place to live, people who care for us, and people who are our friends. God knows what we need. He gives us what we need through the people around us.

- How does God meet your needs?
- Memorize the first half of Psalm 85:12 together. How does this verse help you know that God meets your needs?
- What can your family do to thank God for meeting your needs?

End with a short prayer: Dear God, thank You for loving us. Thank You for meeting our needs. In Jesus' name, amen.

