



# GOD-CONNECTED FAMILY TIME

IDEAS FOR A DAILY TIME WITH GOD



## THE IDEA

At present, we are living in very strange and changing times,

There is such an opportunity for us as the Church and as individuals to re-focus our priorities and go deeper in our relationship with God.

With families being limited due to Government regulations, church is mostly remaining at home for the time being.

Wouldn't it be amazing if the Church around the nation turned their homes into houses of prayer at this time?

We understand your children are unlikely to connect with a long online prayer meeting (plus, they are often after bedtime).

So hopefully this resource may help with some creative ideas of how to have a God-connected time in your home.

There is no set pattern, pick whichever ones are possible and give it a go...you can also use any of your own ideas too.

We pray that God moves in your family in a powerful way.

## USING THE RESOURCE

### READ:

The ideas give a Bible reference to start with. Taking time to help each other find the correct book, chapter and verse is a great way of helping your children to find their way around their Bible. You could choose one person to read the verse or repeat it by having everyone have a go at reading.

### CHAT:

Once you have read the Bible together, spend a few minutes chatting out loud about your thoughts and questions. Let the conversation flow, even if there are some strange tangents (you can bring it back in whenever you want to), If you are stuck for conversation ideas, there are some suggestions in the resource.

### CONNECT

Our relationship with God is two-way and rather than just 'praying to Him', these ideas could help us connect with Him in a deeper way. There are a variety of ideas shared but feel free to use your own creativity and follow wherever God leads.



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### LIGHT IT UP

READ: 2 CORINTHIANS 4:6

**CHAT:**

Think about God's light. In what ways has God's light shined in your life? How does God's light change how you live and the decisions you make?

**CONNECT:**

Fill a sink or bath up with water and find fun ways to make the water dirty (mud, food colouring, ketchup etc). Reflect on wrong things you have done and when you are ready, say sorry to God, pull the plug and let the water go.

### SPONGE OR STONE

READ: EZEKIEL 36:26

**CHAT:**

This verse sounds a little bit scary; but don't worry, there is no real surgery needed. What does it mean that God will give a new heart?

**CONNECT:**

Find yourself a stone from the garden and a sponge from the kitchen/bathroom. Fill a bowl with water and see how much water the sponge and stone soak up. Pray and ask God that your heart would soak up Him like a sponge.

### HOW HIGH?

READ: EPHESIANS 3:16-19

**CHAT:**

God's love is so big that we can't every fully understand it. Try to come up with some words that best describe God's love.

**CONNECT:**

Go around your home with a tape measure and measure how tall some of the things you use most are. Think about God's love...and how it above everything. Ask God to tell you a little bit about His love for you today. Write it down.

### DRUM FUN

READ: PSALM 150:1-6

**CHAT:**

What instruments does the worship band use at your church? Which one do you like most?

**CONNECT:**

Make your own drums today; use old tins and cover them with balloons (or just get some pots and pans out). Wack up the volume on the worship music have have some fun bashing the drums as you worship God loudly.

### POPPING CORN

READ: ROMANS 12:2

**CHAT:**

What is transformation? How does God transform our minds? Why are we told not to conform to the ways of this world? What does this mean?

**CONNECT:**

Make some popcorn (in a pan or microwave). Feel the difference of the corn before and after and think about how God transforms us when we give ourselves to Him. Watch the transformation of the popcorn when it is placed in the heat.

### PASTA THREAD

READ: LUKE 18:25

**CHAT:**

This is a very strange image, a camel won't fit through a needle. What is Jesus trying to say with this illustration?

**CONNECT:**

Take some pieces of pasta and thread to make a necklace. See how hard it is to put the pasta on the thread. Think about how hard it can be to follow God at times. Pray for each other; ask for strength and guidance by the Holy Spirit.

### SOCK STOCK

READ: PSALM 23:6

**CHAT:**

God's goodness and mercy follow you. Share of a recent time when you have known God's goodness or mercy.

**CONNECT:**

Grab some socks and tuck them into pairs to make sock balls. Put a bucket, box or basket in the middle of the room and throw your socks in. Say something you thank God for each time you throw a pair of socks. Keep going until you get all your socks in.