

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church and can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED NOVEMBER 26

PONDER POINT: REMEMBER & CELEBRATE

Feast of Unleavened Bread: Remembering and Celebrating God as Redeemer

WHERE WE'RE HEADED DECEMBER 3

PONDER POINT: GOD'S PRESENCE INSPIRES WORSHIP

King David

1 Samuel 16—17; 2 Samuel 6

David worshipped God when the ark of the covenant returned to Jerusalem.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- The book of 2 Samuel records King David's worship after retrieving the ark of the covenant.
- King David and his men reclaimed the ark from Kiriath Jearim, a city located about nine miles from Jerusalem.
- Before this, the ark was in Beth Shemesh, where the Philistines left it seven months after capturing it in battle.
- While they held the ark, the Philistines experienced many terrible things, including tumors, boils, and an infestation of rats. The Philistines didn't understand God's power, so they gladly returned the ark to the Israelites.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Gather your family and play your favorite worship music. Explain that we often think of worship as just singing, but we can worship God in many different ways: prayer, silence, art, dance, giving, and thanksgiving, just to name a few. Discuss some of these ways to worship God. **Read 2 Samuel 6.** Ask your children why David was leaping and dancing. Ask them why David offered sacrifices to the Lord, and discuss ways your family might sacrifice something (TV time, Internet time, etc.) as an act of worship to God.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- What did David and his men bring to Jerusalem?
- How did David worship God?
- What are some ways we can worship God?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about God's Presence Inspires Worship into your everyday life as a family.

REMEMBER VERSE

The Remember Verse focuses on a character trait of God that's highlighted in next week's portion of The Big God Story.

The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **may God's Spirit inspire you to worship Him.**

For more information about blessing your child, go to truministry.com to the Parenting tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit HomeFrontMag.com.