

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 JUNE 11

PONDER POINT: GOD RESTORES RELATIONSHIP Trial, Crucifixion, Resurrection Luke 22:63—24:8 Jesus died on the cross for our sins and rose again three days later!

WHERE WE'RE HEADED JUNE 18

PONDER POINT: GOD'S SPIRIT CHANGES EVERYTHING Ascension and Holy Spirit Matthew 28:16–20; Acts 1—2 After Jesus went back to heaven, the Holy Spirit came at Pentecost.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- The day of Pentecost marked the beginning of the fulfillment of the Abrahamic covenant, in which God had promised to bless everyone through Abraham's seed.
- Pentecost also began the fulfillment of Joel 2:28, in which God promised to "pour out [His] Spirit on all people."
- At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit empowered the disciples to preach the good news in many languages.
- On the day of Pentecost, three thousand people came to faith in Christ.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Spend time with your children searching for an item in the house that comes from another country (for example, a picture, a book, or a souvenir). **Read Matthew 28:16–20 and Acts 2:1–11.** Explain that on the day God sent His Spirit, people from many different countries were present. Today there are lots of countries and languages in the world too, and Jesus wants people in every one of those places to hear about Him. Tell your kids about the item you found and the people it represents. Encourage your children to share what they know about other nations.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Why is making disciples of all nations important?
- · How did receiving the Holy Spirit change things for the disciples?
- Why do we need the Holy Spirit today? How does He help us?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how God's Spirit Changes Everything 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.

He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever—holy and awesome is his name. Psalm 111:9

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 you know that God's Spirit has changed you so that you might become more like Him.

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

