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**Equipping parents to disciple
their own children for God's
glory!**

Family Resources:

This quarter, I would like to draw your attention to the Foothills Church of Christ's library resources. Our library has many excellent resources that are safe and trustworthy.

Obviously, we have books for many ages and interests, including the Bible Learn series focusing on characters of the Bible, Sugar Creek Gang, Building Christian Character series, Mandie, Cooper Kids Adventure, and much more.

We also have a large number of movies, both DVD and VHS for-

mat. Some of the series that are available include The Heroes of Faith, Children's Heroes of the Bible, The Greatest Adventure, VeggieTales, Hermie & Friends, and Bibleman.

Our DVD collection also includes many movies by Feature Films for Families. These are movies that a parent can trust not to include bad language, sexual content, or graphic violence. We recommend that parents preview movies to ensure that they comply with your families standards.



Week of Aug. 12th

Monday— 1 Samuel 15:23

Ask: What is rebellion compared to? What was the result of Saul's rebellion against God?

Tuesday— Romans 1:28-32

Ask: What was wrong with these people? Why did God give them over to all these bad things?

Wednesday— Psalm 51:1-4

Ask: For what is this man asking God? Against whom has this man sinned?

Thursday— Psalm 51:5-9

Ask: What happens when God washes us clean from our sins? What does God desire from us?

Friday— Psalm 51:10-13

Ask: For what is this man asking God? What will he do when God makes him clean from his sin?

Bible Reading: Colossians 3:18-25

Week of Aug. 19th

Monday— Daniel 4:30-33

Ask: What was king Nebuchadnezzar's sin? What did God do to him?

Tuesday— Daniel 4:34-37

Ask: What did king Nebuchadnezzar do after he had acted like an animal? What did God do for him after he praised God?

Wednesday— Psalm 32:1-2

Ask: What makes this man very happy? Is God willing to forgive all our sins?

Thursday— Psalm 32:3-5

Ask: What happened when he tried to hide his sin from God? What did God do when he confessed his sin to God?

Friday— Psalm 32:10-11

Ask: What do the wicked have? What does God give to the righteous?

Bible Reading: Colossians 4:1-6

Week of Aug. 26th

Monday— 2 Samuel 11:26-27

Ask: What did David do? How did God feel about what David did?

Tuesday— 2 Samuel 12:13-14

Ask: How did David respond when he was told about his sin? How did God discipline David for his sin?

Wednesday— 2 Samuel 12:21-23

Ask: Why did David cry and pray to God while the child was alive? What changed about David after the child died?

Thursday— 2 Samuel 15:13-14

Ask: What did David's son, Absalom, do? Why was David afraid of Absalom?

Friday— 2 Samuel 18:32-33

Ask: How did David respond to the report that Absalom had died? Why was David sad?

Bible Reading: Colossians 4:7-18



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Family Driven Discipleship

For Parents: Parental Responsibility part 4

So far we have seen that God gave the parents the responsibility to disciple their own children and nowhere in the Old Testament did He rescind that responsibility.

In the New Testament we see the same thing. Jesus blessed the children and commanded His disciples not to prevent children from coming to Him, but when Jesus taught, His audience was always adults (though children were present). He did not have the disciples running a "Sunday School" class while He taught.

In Acts, whenever we see the apostles teaching, their audience is always adults (frequently men). The New Testament does not imply, either by direct

statement or by inference, that the responsibility to disciple children has passed from the parents to the Church leadership. In fact, Ephesians 6:4 implies that it is the responsibility of the fathers to provide an education centered on the Lord for their children. In 2 Timothy 1:5 and 3:15, we have the testimony of how young Timothy received religious instruction; not from pastors or priests but from his mother and grandmother. Paul instructs Titus when appointing elders over the church to find men whose children are believers. The implication is that the man has been teaching his children the truths of God and is, therefore, able to teach others as a religious leader

in the Church. Finally, Paul refers to this institutional expectation in 1 Thessalonians 2:11-12 where he mentions that he exhorted the people to follow God just as a father does his own children. The only conclusion that we can come to from this four part study is that God ordained parents to disciple their own children and never established any other authority to do that job. In other words, parents it is up to us to disciple and direct our children toward God, His Word, and His works so that our children will rise up as the next generation of Christian leaders, zealous for good works. To God be the glory!

Upcoming Events:

- FCC barbeque and outdoor services to be announced.
- August 5-9, VBS at FCC 8:45am—12pm.
- Church Campout at Fir Point Bible Camp, August 23-25.

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Children's Ministry Update

Vacation Bible School is starting on Monday, August 5th. If possible, pre-register your children with the Foothills Church of Christ office. Check in starts at 8:45 am and VBS runs until noon everyday, Monday through Friday.

The Foothills Church of Christ campout will be at Fir Point Bible Camp in Glendale this year. Check the bulletin board in the foyer for information on cost and to sign up. For the camper, there will be a service at the camp on Sunday. For

those not going to camp, there will also be a service at Foothills Church of Christ.

Stay tuned for announcements concerning the church barbeque and outdoor services!

Week of June 3rd

Monday— Matthew 12:39-41
Ask: To what Bible story did Jesus refer?
Did Jesus believe that the story of Jonah and the whale was literally true?

Tuesday— 1 Timothy 2:13-14
Ask: Does Paul believe that the story of Adam and Eve is historically true? If Jesus and Paul believe that the Bible is literally true, should we?

Wednesday— Galatians 3:23-25
Ask: What purpose did the Law in the Old Testament serve?
How are we saved from our sins?

Thursday— Hebrews 7:18-22
Ask: How can we draw near to God? Do you think that salvation by faith in Jesus is better than trying to work for salvation?

Friday— 2 Corinthians 3:12-18
Ask: What is where the Spirit of the Lord is? Into whose image are we being transformed?

Bible Reading: Colossians 1:1-8

Week of June 10th

Monday— Genesis 1:26-27
Ask: Where did people come from? Who were people created to be like?

Tuesday— Romans 5:12 & 3:10 & 23
Ask: Where did sin come from? Who has sin?

Wednesday— Ephesians 2:8-10
Ask: How are we saved from our sins?
Who did all the work to save us?

Thursday— John 1:11-13
Ask: When people receive Jesus as their Savior, what do they become? What does it mean to be a child of God?

Friday— Romans 5:6-11
Ask: What kind of people were we when Jesus died for us?
What happened to us because Jesus died for us?

Bible Reading: Colossians 1:9-12

Week of June 17th

Monday— John 6:37-40
Ask: After we trust Jesus to save us, will He ever let us lose our salvation?
What is God's will for us?

Tuesday— John 10:27-30
Ask: Who are Jesus' sheep? Will any of Jesus' sheep ever be lost?

Wednesday— Romans 8:38-39
Ask: What can separate us from God's love?

Does that mean that we are secure in God's love?

Thursday— Titus 2:11-14
Ask: Since our salvation is secure in Jesus, how does God want us to live? Why did Jesus give Himself for us?

Friday— 1 Peter 1:3-5
Ask: Where is the inheritance of the Christian reserved?
By whom are we protected in our salvation?

Bible Reading: Colossians 1:13-23

Week of June 24th

Monday— Romans 7:14-20
Ask: What is it that Paul wants to do?
What does Paul usually end up doing?

Tuesday— Romans 7:21-25
Ask: What is the war that is being fought inside Paul?
Do you struggle with wanting to sin?

Wednesday— Galatians 5:16-18
Ask: What is it that fights against our flesh?
Since "flesh" means our sinful nature, what is God's Spirit fighting inside of us?

Thursday— Galatians 5:22-25
Ask: How can we put to death our sinful nature and its desires?
How can you have the Spirit's power working in you?

Friday— 1 John 1:8-10
Ask: Will there ever be a time in your life when you will not ever sin again?
What can we do when we sin?

Bible Reading: Colossians 1:24-29

Week of July 1st

Monday— Ephesians 1:22-23
Ask: What does Paul call the Church?
Who leads the Church?

Tuesday— Ephesians 5:25-27
Ask: What does Paul call the Church?
What does Jesus do for the Church?

Wednesday— Hebrews 10:23-25
Ask: Why is it important for Christians to fellowship at church?
Can we encourage each other if we don't meet each other?

Thursday— 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
Ask: Why did Jesus command us to eat the communion meal?
What are we remembering?

Friday— Romans 6:4-7
Ask: What is baptism?
What does baptism remind us of?

Bible Reading: Colossians 2:1-7

Week of July 8th

Monday— Romans 12:6-8
Ask: Is everyone good at the same things?
Can God use our differences to serve Him?

Tuesday— 1 Corinthians 13:1-3
Ask: When we use the abilities that God gives us, what is most important to remember?

Wednesday— 1 Peter 4:10-11
Ask: How are we to use our special abilities?
When we use our abilities the right way, who receives the glory?

Thursday— Matthew 28:18-20
Ask: What did Jesus command?
Can you obey this command?

Friday— 2 Corinthians 5:18-20
Ask: What did God do for us? What does He want us to do for others in return?

Bible Reading: Colossians 2:8-19

Week of July 15th

Monday— Matthew 4:3-11
Ask: What was the devil trying to do?
If the devil tried to tempt Jesus, will he try to tempt you, too?

Tuesday— Job 1:8-12
Ask: To whom was God talking?
What did Satan want to do?

Wednesday— John 8:43-45
Ask: What did Jesus call the devil? Why did Jesus say that the devil was the father of the people to whom he was speaking?

Thursday— 1 Peter 5:8-9
Ask: What does Peter say the devil is like?
What should we do when Satan tries to tempt us?

Friday— Revelation 12:7-11
Ask: What is going to happen to Satan?
How can we overcome Satan?

Bible Reading: Colossians 2:20-23

Week of July 22nd

Monday— 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17
Ask: What is going to happen to us when Jesus comes back?
Who else is going to be there?

Tuesday— Titus 2:12-14
Ask: What should Christians be looking forward to?
How should we behave because of it?

Wednesday— 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10
Ask: What has God destined us for? With whom are we going to live forever?

Thursday— Zechariah 14:6-9
Ask: What is happening in the day that is being described?
Who is going to be king?

Friday— Revelation 20:4-6
Ask: Who is reigning as king?
Who is going to reign with Him?

Bible Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Week of July 29th

Monday— Luke 23:39-43
Ask: What did the criminal ask from Jesus?
What was Jesus' answer?

Tuesday— 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
Ask: Where will we be when our bodies die?
What will happen at the judgment seat of Christ?

Wednesday— 1 Corinthians 3:11-15
Ask: How will God test the works we do in our life?
What kind of works will last forever?

Thursday— 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17
Ask: What will Jesus do?
What will happen to us when Jesus comes back?

Friday— Luke 16:19-26
Ask: What happened to righteous Lazarus when he died?
Where did the sinful rich man go?

Bible Reading: Colossians 3:5-11

Week of Aug. 5th

Monday— Matthew 28:18-20
Ask: Who has all authority in heaven and on earth?
What does Jesus want his disciples to do?

Tuesday— Romans 10:8-10
Ask: How is a person saved?
What does it mean to say that Jesus is Lord?

Wednesday— Romans 10:11-13
Ask: What does it say about the person who believes in Jesus?
What happens to the person who calls on the name of the Lord?

Thursday— 2 Corinthians 5:18-19
Ask: What was God doing through Jesus?
What has God committed to us?

Friday— 2 Corinthians 5:20-21
Ask: What kind of person are we?
What did God make Jesus for us?

Bible Reading: Colossians 3:12-17