

KiJS worship guide

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Worshipping as a Family

Throughout church history, one way that Christian parents have often sought to train their children was through the practice of family worship—an intentional time in the day which typically included the reading of Scripture, prayer, and singing together. Our hope is to encourage families to sit around the breakfast or dinner table and discuss God's word together, pray together and for parents to be strengthened in leading and loving their families diligently, regularly reminding them of the faithfulness and glory of God found through the Lord Jesus Christ.

What will this look like?

Each Sunday we are giving our Crestwood families a simple worship guide to bring home that includes a prayer, a brief outline of Sunday's sermon with a memory verse, a few age appropriate discussion questions, and an activity that relates to the given topic. Of course, each family is encouraged to continue with their own elements of family worship that have been already established.

The pattern may follow this order:

- a) Prayer
- b) Read sermon talks and weekly memory verse
- c) Ask discussion questions
- d) Activity

Opening Prayer

Dear Lord, help me to be eager to spend time with other Christians the way the Apostle Paul longed to be with the church in Thessaloniki. Thank you for always desiring to spend time with us.

Sermon Talks

In 1 Thess. 2:19-20, Paul calls the Christians in Thessalonica his joy and his glory. He means that he gets joy from knowing them and seeing them grow in their faith in Jesus right now. And that there will be glory in seeing them glorify Jesus when he eventually returns. Paul is saying that he finds his greatest reward sharing his life with other believers and helping them know and love Jesus. For what is our hope or joy or crown of boasting before our Lord Jesus at his coming? Is it not you? For you are our glory and joy.

Memory

- 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20



- Q: Why must the Redeemer be truly human?
- A: That in human nature he might on our behalf perfectly obey the whole law and suffer the punishment for human sin; and also that he might sympathize with our weaknesses.

Discussion Questions

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1) What are some ways we can help make the life we share with other Christians a joyful experience?

2) Who are the believers you know who bring you the most joy? Why?