

Your Family's Weekly Spiritual Development Plan

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MINISTRY

How to use this resource

The weight of your child's spiritual development can be overwhelming.

Many of us are plagued with questions.

What should I do?

How much is too much?

What matters?

What doesn't matter?

How much time should I invest each day?

This simple weekly calendar is designed to help you make a practical plan that will set you up for success. If you miss a day, it's not the end of the world. This is a marathon, not a sprint. Pick up the baton and keep running.

You've got this!

MONDAY

- Pick a family scripture verse for the week
- Write and hang up your verse for the week so everyone can see it
- Pray with your child(ren)
- Tell your child(ren) one reason you love them

TUESDAY

- Listen to worship music with your child(ren)
- Tell your child(ren) one reason why you love them
- Start a conversation with your child(ren)
- Conversation Starters
 - What was something really good that happened today?
 - What was hard about today?
 - What is one thing you did today just for fun?

WEDNESDAY

- Use your drive-time to connect with your child(ren) in a meaningful way
- Pray with your child(ren)
- Have a meal together as a family
- Together, read aloud your family scripture verse for the week
- Tell your child(ren) one reason why you love them

THURSDAY

- Listen to worship music with your child(ren)
- Review your child(ren)'s lesson from the weekend (handout or online)
- Tell your child(ren) one reason why you love them

FRIDAY

- Have a meal together as a family
- Together, read aloud your family scripture verse for the week
- Pray with your child(ren)
- Tell your child(ren) one reason why you love them
- Start a conversation with your child(ren)
- Conversation Starters
 - How did God use you this week?
 - What is one thing you're thankful for today?
 - What is going on in the world that we should pray for?

SATURDAY

- Schedule time to do something fun with your child(ren)
- Eat a meal with your child(ren)
- Pray with your child(ren)
- Have your child(ren) set out their clothes for church the next day

SUNDAY

- Attend church as a family (in-person or online)
- Tell your child(ren) one reason why you love them
- Start a conversation with your child(ren)
- Conversation Starters
 - What are you looking forward to this week?
 - Are you worried about anything this week?
 - How can I pray for you this week?

Other questions to consider...

How will you use your drive-time to connect with your child(ren) in a meaningful way?

What technology limits or restrictions will you put in place to protect your child(ren)?

Does your child have an age-appropriate Bible?

What devotional or scripture reading plan will you provide for your child(ren)?

How often will you participate in outreach as a family?

How will you encourage Christ-centered friendships?

How will you stay connected to your child(ren)'s teacher or small group leader?

How will you encourage Christ-like behavior?

How will you, the parent, continue to grow and mature as a Christ-follower?

Will your family serve in the local church?

Here for you!

We want to support you in whatever way we can. If you need ideas or resources, please reach out to us. We want to help you win!