

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE | John 3:1-21

SESSION SUMMARY

Most people who've been in church for a while know one of the verses we'll cover this week: John 3:16. Rarely do we look to the surrounding verses, but we'll do that in this session to understand who Nicodemus was, what brought him to Jesus, and why it's okay to ask God questions to help us understand what He's doing. But most importantly, we'll see that Jesus offers us the gift of new life. These are the main takeaways:

- Jesus offers us new life (John 3:1-13).
- Jesus offers us freedom from condemnation (John 3:14-21).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- When has our family wanted a fresh start? Why are fresh starts so desirable and important?
- Who do the people around us think Jesus is? Why must we understand, and help others understand as we have the opportunity, who Jesus truly is?
- How is it both comforting and difficult to know that we can never be good enough to enter God's kingdom on our own?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Asking God questions, as Nicodemus did, is completely different from questioning God. Questioning God is about challenging His character, His heart, and His plan. Asking God questions is about getting to know Him and deepening our relationship with Him. Together, come up with some questions you'd like to ask God. Consider confusing things in the Bible, difficult situations in your life, and even things you're curious about in God's creation. Before you begin, start by affirming your trust of God in prayer and your willingness to accept that He won't answer every question you have.