



FAMILY RHYTHMS: READING GOD'S WORD TOGETHER

FAMILY ACTIVATION: Family Bible Study

1. Pray To Begin | *God's Word is living and active! Pray to begin your time and invite the Holy Spirit to guide you and your family as you explore His Word together.*

2. Choose A Story | *Pick one of the stories below to explore together as a family. Use the reference provided to find it in your Bible!*

- Jesus Calms a Storm (Matthew 8:23-27)
- Jesus Walks on Water (Matthew 14:22-33)
- Jesus Calls the First Disciples (Mark 1:16-20)
- Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man (Mark 2:1-12)
- Jesus Gets Lost in the Temple (Luke 2:41-52)
- Zacchaeus the Tax Collector (Luke 19:1-10)
- Jesus Feeds Five Thousand People (John 6:1-15)

3. Read The Story | *In this step, your family will read the story you've chosen out loud twice.*

- The first time, have everyone follow along in their Bibles while the story is being read aloud by one reader.
- The second time, have everyone close their eyes and listen while the story is being read aloud by a second reader. As you listen, use your imagination to visualize what it might have been like to be there with Jesus!

4. Discover The Story | *Using your Bibles as a reference, take the time to discuss the following questions as a family! It may feel simple, but taking time to notice and wonder about the details of the story allows us to discover it in a greater way!*



CHARACTERS: Who are the people in this story?



ACTIONS: What actions are the people in this story taking?



EMOTIONS: What emotions might each character be feeling?

5. Retell The Story | *Retell the story together as a family in as much detail as possible using only your memory. Actions are highly encouraged!*

6. Share The Truths | *Close your time by giving a few minutes for your family to pause and reflect individually:*

- What are the truths God is teaching me in this story?

*** Then, take turns sharing your answers and celebrating the truth of God's Word! ***

