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FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

JOHN 7-8



MONDAY

Read John 7:1-24

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- According to Jesus, why did the world hate him?
- What argument does Jesus make in defense of healing on the sabbath?
- Why is it significant that Jesus didn't actually break the Old Testament Law by healing on the sabbath?

The mark of truth is God-exaltation, not self-exaltation — indeed, God-exaltation at the expense of self-humiliation.

- John Piper

Kids Discussion Questions

- Why did the world hate Jesus? (*Hint: read verse 7*)
- With this in mind, do you think people will always agree with Jesus today? Why or why not?
- What about Jesus' life best showed his love for those who hated him?

Sing

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting
Jean S. Pigott

Pray

For the Lord to speak to you during your time in the Gospel of John this week.

JESUS, I AM RESTING, RESTING - JEAN S. PIGOTT

1 Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
of thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee,
as thy beauty fills my soul,
for by thy transforming power,
thou hast made me whole.

Refrain:

Jesus, I am resting, resting,
in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
of thy loving heart.

2 O how great thy lovingkindness,
vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous thy goodness
lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved,
know what wealth of grace is thine,
know thy certainty of promise
and have made it mine. [Refrain]

TUESDAY

Read John 7:25-53

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What does verse 30 communicate about the sovereignty of God?
- Where did Jesus intend to go (vs. 35)?
- What did Jesus mean by the term "thirst" in verse 37?
- How is the Holy Spirit in the believer's life like "rivers of living water"?

Believing is receiving Jesus as water, food, and life for the soul.

- John Piper

Kids Discussion Questions

- Where did Jesus come from (vs. 27)?
- When was the last time you were really thirsty? What was going through your mind?
- Jesus offers to satisfy those who are thirsty (Vs. 37). What kind of thirst do you think he means?

Sing

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
Aurelius C. Prudentius

Pray

For the widows and
widowers of Calvary.

O THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS - AURELIUS C. PRUDENTIUS

VERSE 1

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward,
to thy glorious rest above.

VERSE 2

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread his praise from shore to shore;
how he loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how he watches o'er his loved ones,
died to call them all his own;
how for them he intercedes,
watches o'er them from the throne.

VERSE 3

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to thee.

WEDNESDAY

Read John 8:1-29

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you from this passage?
- It's easy not to stop and consider biblical phrases that are familiar. In what way is Jesus the "light of the world"?
- What does this passage communicate about the relationship between God the Father and God the Son?

If a man could travel so fast as always to follow the sun, of course he would always be in the light. If the day should ever come when the speed of the railway shall be equal to the speed of the world's motion, then a man may so live as to never lose the light. Now he that follows Christ shall never walk in darkness.

- C.H. Spurgeon

Kids Discussion Questions

- What does light do in a room?
- In what way is Jesus like light for the world?

Sing

Be Thou My Vision

Mary E. Burn

Pray

Pick a family from
Calvary to pray for.

BE THOU MY VISION - MARY E. BURN

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art--
thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3 Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r:
raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

5 High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

THURSDAY

Read John 8:31-47

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- What objection did the people raise to Jesus' claim that he could set them free?
- How would you explain verse 47?

The power of self-deception in the unconverted man is infinite.

-J.C. Ryle on verse 33

Kids Discussion Questions

- In this passage, Jesus talks of his ability to set us free. What can Jesus set us free from?
- What has Jesus done to set us free?

Sing

My Jesus, I Love Thee
William R. Featherston

Pray

For the missionaries
Calvary helps to support.

MY JESUS, I LOVE THEE

- WILLIAM R. FEATHERSTON

1. My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;
for thee all the follies of sin I resign;
my gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

2. I love thee because thou hast first loved me
and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

3. I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death,
and praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath,
and say when the deathdew lies cold on my brow:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

4. In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

FRIDAY

Read John 8:48-59

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What has stood out the most to you from our time in the Gospel of John this week?
- What accusation did the Jews lay upon Jesus at the beginning of this passage?
- Read Exodus 3:14. With this in mind, what was Jesus declaring when he said, "before Abraham was, I AM" (vs. 58)?

By using the timeless 'I am' rather than 'I was,' Jesus conveyed not only the idea of existence prior to Abraham, but timelessness—the very nature of God himself.

- Homer Kent

Kids Discussion Questions

- What is one thing you've learned from our time in John this week?
- All the way back in Exodus, God called himself "I Am" when he spoke with Moses through the burning bush. Here in John, Jesus calls himself "I Am." What do you think Jesus was saying about himself by doing this?

Sing
Doxology
Thomas Ken

Pray
For the children of
Calvary to come to know
saving faith in Christ.

DOXOLOGY - THOMAS KEN

1

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

2

Praise God the Father who's the source;
Praise God the Son who is the course;
Praise God the Spirit who's the flow;
Praise God, our portion here below!