

Family Ministry Newsletter

August 2010



RESOURCES

Memory verse:

1 Samuel 16:7b (ESV): For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.

Music:

Glory to God

Question/Answer to memorize:

Question: Why did God make you and everything else?

Answer: For His glory.

Question: How can you glorify God?

Answer: By loving him and doing what he commands.

Question: Why are you to glorify God?

Answer: Because he made me and takes care of me.

Activities/Teachable Moments:

Making Manna: Make bread with your little one. Discuss how it takes work and time. Talk about how God provided manna for his people so they didn't have to do all that work.

Mother May I: play a game of "Mother May I". Discuss with your child how we are to obey God, just as we listen to the "mother" in the game.

Any time you and your child are together you can discuss how we glorify God by obeying his commandments and by loving him.

Summary of Lessons for August

In August, we will be finishing our study of Moses and the Exodus from Egypt. We will then study Samuel.

On week 1, we will be studying how God took care of the Israelites during their time in the desert (Exodus 13:20-22; 16:1-36). We will be talking about the pillar of smoke that God used to guide his people. We will also learn about manna.

On week 2, we will have the review lesson (Exodus 2:5-10; 12:31; 14:21-22; 16:11-18, 35). It will cover Moses and how God took care of his people.

On week 3, we will study the birth of Samuel (1 Samuel 1:1-28). We will talk about how God answered Hannah's prayer, and how Hannah kept her promise to God.

On week 4, we will study how Samuel grew up (1 Samuel 1:28; 2:11-12, 17, 26; 3:19-21; 7:15). He will be contrasted with Eli's sons. We will talk about how Samuel pleased God.

On week 5, we will study how God chose David to be king (1 Samuel 16:1-13). We will talk about how God told Samuel David would be the king.

Suggestions for Family Church.

This month, our focus is on God keeping his people safe. The second half of the month, the focus is on glorifying God. Some other possible stories that demonstrate the same lessons:

- Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-9)
- Esther (Esther 1-10)
- Any lesson on Jesus being sent and dying for us

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