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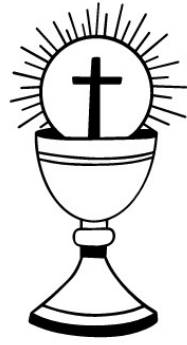
October Session Material and Conversation

Grab your family Bible, the Chosen Workbook, and your computer!

The Lesson 3 videos are outstanding in helping us understand God's plan for our salvation. Please visit ascensionpress.com to access your online account. When opening your Study Dashboard for this curriculum, open up Lesson 3 on the left side of the screen. Watch videos 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3 together. They would have watched these videos during the session but watching them together may help it all to come together. Over the next few weeks, read together the stories below that help us see God's plan unfold. It is critical for us to open our hearts and minds when reading His Scripture, so always start with a prayer. Watch as God reveals Himself to you in these stories!

It is eye opening to learn about God's plan for our salvation. It is so important to understand how He has been interacting with us all along and how His plan began WAY back in the Garden of Eden with the fall of our first parents, Adam and Eve. God gave His first prophesy back then. Read Genesis Chapter 3 in it's entirety. Why do you think Eve gave into the serpent (satan)? What do you think she thought would happen when she ate the apple? How did Adam fail? Should he have been right there to defend his wife to help prevent her from sinning against God? Now read Genesis Chapter 3 but only verses 14-15, (Genesis 3:14-15). Notice the prophesy here. Who was God talking about in verses 14-15? Who is the woman and who is her Offspring? Have your teen try to remember what was talked about during the session. See if the Jesus and the New Adam and Mary as the New Eve trigger conversation.

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Read about the testing of Abraham together in Genesis Chapter 22, verses 1-14 (Genesis 22:1-14). This is a very important story to make connections to how God's plan unfolded in the coming of the Messiah. Note the statement "your son, your only one", notice Isaac carrying the wood up Mount Moriah, the very place that Jesus carried the wood of His cross to be crucified. Note that Abraham kept saying that the Lord would provide the sacrifice, then, after the angel stopped Abraham from taking his only son's life for the sacrifice for God, he saw a ram, an adult male lamb, with his horns caught in the thicket, in thorns. Make the connections with your student. See if they remember what was talked about in their small group.

Now read Isaiah Chapter 53, verses 1-11 (Isaiah 53:1-11) together. This is what we know as the "Suffering Servant." Who does this sound like? Who could Isaiah be writing or prophesying about? The book of Isaiah was written about 600 years before the birth of Jesus! Find the Gospel of John and read Chapter 19 remembering it was John who witnessed Christ's death in person, at the foot of the Cross. Read this chapter together and visualize what was happening.

God's plan was foretold in many ways, these are only a few examples where God let His people know what would happen. Jesus came and fulfilled all of the prophecies!

Daily Family Prayer

Pray as a family each day, morning or night, the Apostles' Creed. Keep in mind that when we say we believe, it's more than a statement, we are called to action! That action is to love, not love as a feeling, love as an action! Talk about what each of you might have done that day to act in love for others in your lives.