

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 | 2 Kings 18:1-6; 22:1-2,8-11; 23:1-3,21-23

## **SESSION SUMMARY**

Right in the middle of all these kings who "did what was evil in the LORD's sight" (2 Kings 17:2), we find two kings—Hezekiah and Josiah—who followed God as David did. Despite being surrounded by a lineage of rebellious kings, these two kings removed the places where God's people worshiped other gods and encouraged the people to follow the one true God. Their example shows us we don't have to walk in the sinful paths of those who walked before us. These are the main ideas:

- · Return to worship (2 Kings 18:1-6).
- Return to truth (2 Kings 22:1-2,8-11; 2 Kings 23:1-3,21-23).

## **CONVERSATION QUESTIONS**

- What are some examples of times you've tried to blame something on someone else, and either the act wasn't a big deal or the consequences wouldn't have been severe?
- Why do you think we want to blame our misbehavior or mistakes on others? What needs to shift so we take responsibility for our actions sooner?
- When has hearing God's Word caused an aha-moment and created change in your life?
- Why do you think people sometimes ignore what they hear in God's Word? How can we encourage each other and guard our family against this?

## **FAMILY CHALLENGE**

Print out several copies of the same maze. Give one copy to each family member along with a colored pen or pencil. Set a timer for thirty seconds. When the timer goes off, see who got closest to the right path or if anyone made it all the way through. Taking the right path on our own is tough, but we don't have to make the same mistakes as leaders, or even family members, who came before us. We can choose to follow God above all.