

## **Family Devotions**

## Overview

The mission of Christ Proclamation Church is "To Know Christ, and Make Him Known." At Proclamation, we believe that this mission is not just carried out on Sundays, or in a corporate gathering. Rather, worship of Christ daily defines the life of a Christian. Therefore, we believe worship should be a regular reality in the lives of individuals and families. As a result, we want to encourage you and your family to engage in consistent devotions.

The structure of family devotions can most certainly vary from family to family; what is most important is that your family is regularly engaging in conversations about the glory of God in the gospel (Deut. 6:4-9). Nevertheless, while there is freedom with regard to the structure of family worship, it can be difficult to know how to begin. For that reason, we have provided the following example of a way in which your family can jumpstart devotions in the home. Please note that this is just an example. As we mentioned before, our primary desire is that there is a regular "aroma of Christ" in your home (2 Cor. 2:14-16). We pray that this aroma abounds in life for you and your household!

## Order of Gathering

- 1. **Pray**: Pray for God to bless your time in His Word.
- 2. **Sing** (Optional): Sing a well-known hymn that you would like to memorize with your kids. Some examples of hymns might include:
  - a. Amazing Grace
  - b. How Great Thou Art
  - c. Be Thou My Vision
- 3. **Read**: Begin by reading one chapter of the Bible. Have every individual in your family take turns reading to the best of their ability.
- 4. **Reflect**: Ask the following questions as you reflect and meditate on the Scripture you just read:
  - a. What is the context of this passage?
  - b. What observations do see in the passage?
  - c. What questions do you have about this passage?
  - d. What do you think are some of the main points of this passage?
  - e. What do we learn about God in this passage?
  - f. What do we learn about man and sin in this passage?
  - g. What do you see about man's responsibility in this passage and how might that apply to you?
  - h. How does this passage cause you to be more captivated by and grateful for Jesus Christ?
  - i. What are some things you would like to change in your actions or attitudes in response to this passage?
- 5. **Closing Song**: Sing the Doxology as a family.
- 6. Closing Prayer: Praise God for such a wonderful evening together in His Word.

## **Additional Resources**

We want to be a blessing to you and your family as you seek to honor Christ through family devotions. For that reason, we have compiled some resources on our website. If you are interested in additional resources for family devotions, please go to christproclamation.org > Resources > Family Devotions.