



ENGAGING THE BIBLE

PRACTICAL STEPS TO GET STARTED

Choose a Bible. Help your children pick a Bible they can call their own. Consider their age and reading level to ensure it is accessible and engaging. As a church, we use the ESV. It is a readable yet word-for-word translation. While it may be challenging for small children, parental guidance helps them engage and understand more deeply. Remember, the best version of the Bible is the one you will read with diligence and obedience.

Set a Family Bible Time. Establish a specific time each day to read and discuss Scripture together. Whether it's after dinner or before bed, consistency is key.

Adopt a Family Verse. Select a verse that resonates with your family and serves as a daily reminder of your faith. Write it down and display it in visible places like the fridge, bathroom mirror, or car. Rotate through verses for memory. After moving to a new one, circle back to previously memorized verses to ensure they are not forgotten.

Embrace Questions. When your child asks a tough question, don't shy away. If you don't know the answer, admit it and promise to find out. This models humility and a teachable spirit.

Pray and Seek Scripture Together. When making decisions, involve your family in prayer and look for guidance in the Bible. Share how specific verses apply to your situation and celebrate when God answers prayers.

Make Sure You Value Sunday Morning Bible Studies. While devotions at home are essential, the value of growing in a faith community only enhances what happens at home.

Use Additional Resources. Leverage tools like devotionals, Bible storybooks, videos, or songs (Seeds Family Worship is a great choice) to make Scripture more engaging and relatable.

FUN ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE BIBLE ENGAGEMENT

Verse Cards: Write verses on index cards and place them around your home or car for daily reminders.

Foundational Verses: Encourage your family to memorize key passages such as John 3:16, Philippians 4:13, Matthew 6:9–13, and Psalm 23.

Family Devotionals: Choose a devotional to read together as a family or individually.

Daily Prayer and Reflection: Set aside time each day—whether at breakfast, bedtime, or another moment—to pray and talk about God's Word.

By combining the disciplines of prayer and Bible reading, your family will build a strong spiritual foundation that naturally leads to a lifestyle of daily worship. These habits will help your children grow in their faith and create a legacy of seeking and glorifying God as a family.