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Faith At Home Play Card

1 Thessalonians Chapter 4

Best Use:

To act as a companion to the REAP Bible reading plan for the book of 1 Thessalonians chapter 4.

Purpose:

Assists parents in their call to fulfill their responsibility as the primary faith shaper in their child's life. Guides families to have fun and engaging faith conversations in their home.

Advanced Preparation:

- Gather supplies for baking cookies. (You can choose to make from scratch or use store bought)
- Cookie-cutter
- Optional: Gather supplies for decorating the cookies

Play Action:

SAY: We are going to bake some cookies together. We have a fun shape (cookie cutter) to make our cookies with.

DO: Roll out the cookie dough and start using the cookie-cutter to cut out the cookies.

SAY: Notice that the shape of the cookie cutter is the shape of our cookies.

DO: Put the cookies in the oven to bake.

SAY: We have been reading through the book of 1 Thessalonians with our church. This week we are in chapter 4. In chapter 4 Paul is telling the church to live as people that Christ had made new and given a new life. **Read Philippians 1:27 together.** This was Paul's message to many of the churches he wrote. After Paul wrote about what living this way looked like, he reminded them that Jesus is coming back for everyone who has put Him in charge of their lives.

SAY: We used this cookie cutter to make the same shape over and over again. God created us in his image or likeness and has a plan for us to live for Him. We put the cookies in the oven to continue doing what we made them for, Jesus works in our life to help us become what He made us for. At the right time we will return for the cookies. Paul says at the end of chapter 4 that Jesus, at the right time, will return for us.

DO: Take the cookies out of the oven and let them cool.

DO: Get your yummy cookies, a glass of milk and enjoy eating your treat with your family.

PRAY: Thank God for the gift of each member of your family. "Thank you, Lord, for bringing us together. Help us work together as a team to complement each other better than ever before. In Jesus Name, we pray, Amen."