

Family Faith Guide

Worship (Listening to Songs / Singing Songs)

Psalm 98:4: “Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!”

Psalm 98:4 reminds us that our worship doesn't have to be perfect-sounding—it just needs to be joyful! That's good news for those of us who aren't musically gifted. Not everyone can play guitar or sing beautifully, and that's okay. If you can—do it! But if not, you can still worship wholeheartedly.

Practical ways to worship at home:

- Listen to or sing a worship song together as a family, then talk about the lyrics.
- Revisit a worship song sung at church the previous Sunday.
- Use a lyric video from YouTube and sing along together.

Prayer

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18: “Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

Practical ways to pray at home:

- Pray for specific needs or people.
- Keep prayers short and simple.
- Pray the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6).
- Write prayer requests in a journal and revisit them to see how God has answered.
- Pray using the A.C.T.S. model:
- Adoration: Praise God for who He is.
- Confession: Confess sins and ask for forgiveness.
- Thanksgiving: Thank God for blessings in your life.
- Supplication: Bring your requests to God.

Bible Reading

2 Timothy 3:16: “All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.”

Practical ways to read Scripture as a family:

- Choose a book of the Bible to read together.
- Read as much as feels natural—don't force it.
- Ask questions such as:
- Who are the characters in the story?
- What are they doing?
- What was your favorite part?

- Use open-ended questions rather than yes/no ones.

For families with littles:

- Use an age-appropriate devotional book.
- Read from a children's storybook Bible (e.g., The Jesus Storybook Bible). Pair it with a short reading from your Bible to show that all these truths come from Scripture.