PreTeen
Winter

Family Connections

A quarterly letter for connecting with families
who have preteens in 5th & 6th grades at
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Welcome to Family Connections—the quarterly newsletter that helps you know what your child is learning from God's Word. Please let us know if we can help you in any way as we partner with you to grow kids in Jesus.

Family Thought

Good news! God came to earth. Jesus died and rose for our salvation. It takes action on our part to share the good news of Jesus with those around us. What has your family done recently to spread the news? What do you plan to do?

Coming This Quarter

Units of learning include:
- The Gift and the Giver
- How to Tell Your Friends About Jesus
- Choosing Right from Wrong
- Living Truthfully

Family Memory Challenge

Bible verses your preteen will be encouraged to learn this quarter include:
- 2 Corinthians 9:8, 11, 15
- Matthew 28:19, 20
- Psalm 119:9, 11
- Psalm 19:14

Knowing God's Word is a first step in being able to share His Word with others. As a family, try to memorize this quarter's Bible memory passages. Then using those same passages, practice telling each other about God's love and what living for Jesus means to you.

Growing Together

Today's world is a changing world—for both adults and kids. The world you might describe today will be different from the world next year, maybe even next month. So how can parents and kids find things they have in common to talk about?

First, the very fact that the world in which we live is complex and ever-changing is a common denominator. Start with that fact and talk about the day-to-day changes each person is going through. Try to learn about each other's worlds.

Look for things you have in common to talk about, such as being let down by someone, making a mistake in front of others, wanting to be good at something you are trying to do, worrying, feeling misunderstood, getting sick, having opinions, and so on. As you share openly with one another, your family bonds will grow stronger—even in a changing world!

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