

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

Scripture

1 Kings 8:10-14, 20-21; 8:54-61

Session Summary

David wanted to build a temple for the ark of the covenant, which symbolized God's presence with His people. But David was not allowed to build the temple since he was a king of war. So God left that honor to David's son, Solomon. This passage records the blessing Solomon spoke over the Israelite people in the newly completed temple. Solomon prayed that God would help His people remain devoted to Him and asked that God would always hear His people's prayers. This was all for God's glory.

Conversation Questions

- When has our family sensed the reality of God's presence in worship?
- How has God given our family rest both physically and spiritually?
- What is our family's attitude toward regularly gathering with other believers?
- Reread these verses and study the reverent attitude with which the temple was treated. What does that mean for the way we should treat our bodies as the temple of the Holy Spirit?

Family Challenge

What does it mean to honor God's name? To *honor* means *to hold in high esteem*. How can our family honor God's name? Write out at least five ways our family can honor God's name this week and make an effort to put them into practice.

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