

Weekly Home Guide

This guide is a tool to help you give your attention to God throughout your week as you gather as a household. Use it in collaboration with the virtual service, the sermon video (found under our media tab) or on it's own as devotional resource.

After The Tree Comes Down

Step 1: Music

FOCUS ON JESUS THROUGH MUSIC.

[Open My Eyes](#)

[This My Inheritance](#)

[Broken Vessels \(Amazing Grace\)](#)

Step 2: Turn to God's word.

Matthew 2:1-12

Step 3: Prayer

Seek God through prayer

- Pray that we are led by faith, to boldly and confidently step into God's presence
- Pray that we are able to share the Good News with others because of our faith
- Pray for the New Year, that we would have global action and healing

Step 4: Talk about

That phrase some people use, "I've had an epiphany" means to experience a revelation of some sort. Like when a project at work really starts to click.

Here we experience the revelation of God in the person of Jesus. Epiphany is the celebration of the revealing of Christ incarnate. It is the 12th day after Christmas (yes totally like the song!) and recognizes the Magi who presented Jesus with gifts, while celebrating the fact that this is God come down to us. Magi understood, they had their epiphany, and with it, all people were invited into a deeper relationship with God.

Epiphany teaches us that there is a God, who, although mysterious, is known to us, and loves us. It pushes us to understand that because of the divinity of Jesus, we are able to be in a relationship with God the creator of all things, and that there is a sense of direction and purpose to our narrative.

Take some time to unpack the idea of "an epiphany" (in the little sense) as well as the Epiphany of Jesus Christ revealed to the world.

Step 5: Family resource

[Click here](#) for an activity or a few questions you can do in your family.

Step 6: Benediction

Close your time.

From Ephesians 3:17-19

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Amen

Step 7: Questions

1. Have you ever had one of those "I've had an epiphany" moments?
2. Have you ever felt you needed God, and felt you couldn't see him?
3. Talk about your personal encounter and realization, your own "epiphany" as it were.