

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your child so you can help them prepare for this Sunday by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED LAST WEEK

PONDER POINT: GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING

Woman at the Well

John 1:1–42

Jesus spoke with a Samaritan woman.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED THIS SUNDAY

PONDER POINT: JESUS SHOWS US HOW TO LOVE

The Good Samaritan

Luke 10:25-37

Jesus tells the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- All Priests and Levites are from the tribe of Levi
- The Priests are selected from the tribe and have the special Priestly duties in the Tabernacle
- The Levites are helpers for the Priests, and they are also teachers of the Law
- The Samaritans were people with a varied ancestral background, consisting of the various peoples that the Assyrian nation conquered over the years, including the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Under these circumstances the Israelites intermixed and intermarried with other people groups, resulting in a mixed-race people later called the Samaritans

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Gather your family together and read Luke 10:25-37. For fun, those listening can act out the story, with costumes if you like, and they can play more than one character. Alternatively, your child(ren) could use stuffed animals or other items as the characters in the story.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Why do you think both the Priest and the Levite didn't help the injured man?
- How does it make you feel that Jesus asks us to love our neighbours?
- Why do you think the Samaritan man took care of the injured man?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to talk about who our "neighbours" are, that Jesus asks us to love them, and what are the practical ways that we can do that.

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **May God's Holy Spirit show you who your neighbor is, and teach you how to love them the way that Jesus wants you to.**

For more information about blessing your child, talk to your ministry leader or see *Spiritual Parenting* by Michelle Anthony.