Family Connection

UNIT 10 | SESSION 3

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 Samuel 8:4-9,19-20; 13:6-9,13-14; 15:10-11,22-23

Session Summary

Israel begged God for a king, despite His warning through Samuel about the king's customary rights. So, God gave the people what they asked for in a king named Saul. King Saul was exactly what the people thought they wanted—he was a strong warrior, he looked like a king, and he even followed God for a while. But eventually, he turned his back on God, just as Samuel had warned the people. As Saul's reign came to a crumbling halt, God sent Samuel on a journey to anoint the next king; a man after his own heart.

Conversation Questions

- What are some ways our family has rejected God as the king of our lives?
- What steps can we take to make sure He remains in His rightful place as king of our lives?
- When has our family begged God for something we thought we needed only to realize His way is better?
- Why is it sometimes difficult for our family to believe God's plan is best and walk in obedience to Him no matter what?

Family Challenge

Following God requires whole-hearted obedience. Even when we don't understand what He's doing, His ideas and His ways are best. As a family, spend some time praying over areas where God is calling you to step out in obedience. Choose a verse from this week's reading that reminds your family of the truth that God's ways are best. Write out and post that verse somewhere in your home where you'll all be able to see it throughout the week. Continue to pray individually and together about how God might want your family specifically to walk in obedience to Him.

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