



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

Jesus –The Light

Take Home Point:

Jesus is the light of the world who shines through us.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: In your small group warm-up someone went through an obstacle course to find the secret to life's happiness. What is this secret? (*Giving of yourself.*)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Prepare a mystery box. Put inside it: a candle, matches and enough treats (such as candies) for everyone but yourself. Say, "This treasure contains a message that is the secret of happiness. Who can look at these things and guess the secret?" Light the candle and pass out the treats. Discuss. Then reveal that the secret of happiness is giving to others rather than only thinking about what you get. (Point out that with one treat missing, you didn't get one. Instead, you gave away the treats.) Jesus came as a light into this world to give himself to us. Because of that we too can be like light and give ourselves to others.

READ THE BIBLE: Read John 8:12, Mark 4:21-22, and Matthew 5:14-16.

KEY VERSE: Matthew 5:16, *"In the same way let your light shine in front of people. Then they will see the good that you do and praise your Father in heaven."*

TALK ABOUT IT: Who claims to be the light of the world? (*Jesus.*) What will we have if we follow him? (*A life filled with light.*) What is "a light" intended to do? (*Lighten up the room, or let other people see.*) What is darkness in our world? (*Bad things, sin, evil.*) How is Jesus a light to the world? (*He gave himself to die for our sin and the sins of the world.*) What are other ways Jesus gave himself to others? (*He served them, healed them, taught them, and helped them.*) How can we be lights to the world or give ourselves to others?

PRAYER POWER: Thank God for sending his Son Jesus to be the light of the world. Pray for God's power to give of yourselves so others see you as a "light to the world." Pray for specific ways to let your light shine.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

During dinner when everyone is together, light a candle and discuss how well your family is "lighting up" your neighborhood. Brainstorm ways that you can better share the light of Jesus with others who live around you.

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