



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

Jeroboam

Take Home Point:

Listen to God's warning.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: What did your warning alarm sound like? What did God warn Jeroboam to do? (*Not worship idols.*) What did one of his warnings look like? (*The altar before the idol fell apart. Jeroboam's arm became stiff and withered.*)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Have a family scavenger hunt around the house. Look for warning devices or labels. Use your imagination to come up with prizes for different categories of warnings: i.e., smallest label, loudest noise, etc. Then ask, "What kind of warnings do you think God gives us?"

READ THE BIBLE: 1 Kings 12:25-14:20; 15:25-30

KEY VERSE: Psalm 81:8-10, *"Listen, my people, and I will warn you. Israel, if you would only listen to me! Never keep any strange god among you. Never worship a foreign god. I am the LORD your God, the one who brought you out of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."*

TALK ABOUT IT: What kind of idols did Jeroboam make? (*1 Kings 12:28. Two golden calves.*) What event in Israel's history does the golden calf remind you of? (*Exodus 32. The children of Israel making and worshiping a golden calf in the desert after leaving Egypt. Note: the golden calf was a replica of an Egyptian god.*) What lie did Jeroboam tell the people about the golden calves? (*1 Kings 12:28. "Here are your gods who brought you out of Egypt."*)

Jeroboam's wife went to the prophet, Ahijah, because her son was sick. Did Ahijah recognize her? What was the warning Ahijah told Jeroboam's wife to pass on to Jeroboam? (*1 Kings 14:9-10. "You have done more evil things than everyone before you. You made other gods... That is why I will bring disaster on Jeroboam's house."*) What was God's judgment on Jeroboam? (*His son died and later he died and the rest of his family died.*) Why do you think Jeroboam did not listen and obey God's warnings? What do you think God would have done if Jeroboam had repented and gone back to worshiping the only true God?

According to Psalm 81:8, what does God want for his people? (*He wants us to follow him only. He is the true living God and he will provide for us, protect us, and save us. He wants to do what is best for us.*) What warning does God want you to heed?

PRAYER POWER: Pray for one another and the warning God has for each individual. Give thanks for Jesus, our Savior, who gives his forgiveness and power to listen to and follow God.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Make an agreement with one another (perhaps by signing a family contract) that if any member of the family sees another member doing something that God warns us not to do, you would tell that person about God's warning.

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