LIFE Lessons

Weekly Devotions/Bible Study for Families of All Ages

*November 15th, 2020*

\*LIFE stand for **L**iving **I**n **F**aith **E**veryday. These lessons are our weekly faith formation practices for everyone to use in their own homes. We will use the **Faith 5** as our foundational model. These are 5 easy faith steps to practice each day within your household and will include a scripture reading from our weekly lectionary.

 -Each week will have focus questions and discussions for families with younger children AND a separate set of discussions for families of all ages, with or without children. Please use whichever best fits your family.

*Now, on to this week’s LIFE lesson!*

**WATCH VIDEO ON THE WEBSITE…**

1. **Share**: Your Highs and Lows from the day (or week) with one another
2. **Read:** Matthew 25: 14-30
3. **Talk:** About the Scripture-This will be our lesson/devotion

**\*For families with younger children…**

Q: What are some of the gifts God gives us?

Q: How do you think God wants us to use those gifts?

Q: Answer this riddle: What is something that- the more you give away, the more of it you have? ***Watch the rest of the video to get the answer***

**\*For families of all ages…**

Q: What do you think Jesus is trying to teach us in this parable?

Q: Who is the “the man going on a journey” in this parable? *Answer: Jesus*

Q: The man gave money to the slaves. What does Jesus entrust to us? What are the gifts he’s given us?

Q: How does Jesus want us to use the gifts he’s given us?

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***The Big Idea!...***This parable is about stewardship. But it’s not really about money. In this parable, Jesus is the man going on a journey (to the cross eventually), and for us he leaves us his grace. If we do nothing in response to the grace Jesus gives us, we become indifferent or apathetic, and we do no good for the Kingdom. If we share that grace, AND his love with others, the grace and love in our lives will grow. We are good stewards of grace and love when we share it with others, using it for the sake of Jesus’ Kingdom.

1. **Pray:** For one another-You can pray for one another’s lows, share prayer requests, or say the Lord’s Prayer Together. Or you can pray this…

“Lord Jesus, you give us everything. Above it all you give us your grace and love. Help us to receive your grace and love with glad hearts and to share it abundantly with others.

1. **Bless:** One another-Make the sign of the cross on each other’s foreheads and say, “Child of God, remember that you are always loved by Jesus and given his grace.”

*\*Use the* ***Faith 5*** *daily to grow faith in your family and to stay closely connected. Here are verses for every day this week…*

Monday 11/2: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-13

Tuesday 11/3: Psalm 90:1-5

Wednesday 11/4: I Thessalonians 5:1-11

Thursday 11/5: Psalm 123

Friday 11/6: I Kings 17:8-16

Saturday 11/7: Hebrews 3:7-14