

Rags to Riches Family Devotions

This devotion is a simple resource to help you become more intentional in discipling your family. There are four areas and all together this should take about 8-10 minutes per day. Our prayer is that it will lead to greater moments with Jesus.

Day 1

Worship: Start with worship time. Play the song "[Great Are You Lord](#)" or "[You Know Me](#)" (VBS).

Scripture: Read Colossians 1:3-5.

Application: Share with them about how you came to know the Lord and what is the Gospel. The Gospel is that Jesus is the Son of God, died on the cross for our sin and rose from the grave. Tell them about how this has changed your life and how you hope it will change theirs.

Prayer: Close in Prayer. Ask them to pray and share what they are thankful for.

Day 2

Worship: Play the song "[Remarkably Made](#)" (VBS).

Scripture: Read Colossians 1:9-10.

Application: Share with them how God wants us to be wise. We can be smart and not wise. Wisdom is something that God gives us. Ask them how they can be wise. Tell them they can be wise by obeying God's Word.

Prayer: Close in Prayer. Pray Colossians 1:9-10 over your family.

Day 3

Worship: Play the song "[Over The Moon](#)" (VBS) or "[Sin Messed Everything Up](#)".

Scripture: Read Colossians 1:13-14.

Application: Ask them if they are afraid of the dark. How do we get rid of darkness? We add light. God moved us from darkness to light, by forgiving us of our sins. Tell them about a time you were afraid of the dark and how glad you were when light came. This is how we should feel about Jesus bringing us light.

Prayer: Praise God for giving us His son that brought us into the light.

Day 4

Worship: Play the song "[We're Like Stars](#)" (VBS) or "[So Will I](#)".

Scripture: Read Colossians 1:17.

Application: How hard is it to hold your arm up for the entire day? It is hard to hold it 2 minutes. We get tired pretty easy and quickly. Guess what? God never gets tired. He is able to hold everything together without getting tired. He holds our life and family together even when things seem difficult.

Prayer: Pray that God will remind you to trust that He holds things together.

Day 5

Worship: Play one of the favorite songs from the week. Let the kids chose.

Scripture: Read Colossians 1:27-28.

Application: What is a mystery? It is like a secret that people try hard to understand. We have been let in on the greatest secret ever. Jesus Christ is God's son and the long awaited Messiah. Imagine being told the greatest secret ever and it could save and change lives. Do you share it? Of course you do. That is what we have been given with Jesus...the greatest secret to share.

Prayer: Praise God for Jesus being our hope.

Week 2

Day 1

Worship: Start with worship time. Play the song "[Stars](#)"

Scripture: Read Colossians 2:3.

Application: Ask your child, what would be a treasure worth finding? Share with them the type of treasure you would like to find. Explain that as great as that treasure is and as excited as you would be, one day that treasure would fade. The greatest treasure we will ever experience is found in Christ. He gives us treasure that will never fade.

Prayer: Close with a prayer thanking God for the unlimited treasure we have in Christ.

Day 2

Worship: Start with worship time. Play the song "[Journey Off The Map](#)"

Scripture: Read Colossians 2:5.

Application: Ask your child, what happens when their teacher leaves the room? How do people act? Why do kids act differently when the teacher leaves the room? Tell them about a time you acted out when you thought your teacher or parents could not see you, but they did. Share what you learned. Did you know that God is always there? He wants us to act the same no matter who we around.

Prayer: Pray that the Lord will help each of you to obey even when we think no one is watching.

Day 3

Worship: Start with worship time. Play the song "[Great Are You Lord](#)" or "[Stars](#)"

Scripture: Read Colossians 2:6-7.

Application: What some of the family traditions you share? Tell of them of one that you remember growing up. Traditions are mostly good, but we must be careful that they don't become more important than following Jesus. Jesus expects us to follow Him. The good news is that He has given us what we need to follow Him.

Prayer: Close with a prayer asking the Lord to help you follow Him today.

Day 4

Worship: Start with worship time. Play a family or personal worship favorite.

Scripture: Read Colossians 2:8.

Application: There is a way the world does things, then there is the way God does things. Share an example of how the world's ways differ from God's way. We are told to follow Christ way instead of the worlds. How can you do that today?

Prayer: Close with a prayer asking the Lord to help you follow Him in a specific way today.

Day 5

Worship: Start with worship time. Play a family or personal worship favorite.

Scripture: Read Colossians 2:14.

Application: Do you know what a debt is? It is something you owe someone else. Sin is something we all struggle with and because of it we have a debt that we can not pay. However, Jesus took care of that debt for us by dying on the cross. That is such an amazing sacrifice. That is something there everyone needs to hear.

Prayer: Close with a prayer asking the Lord to fill your heart with joy in response to this amazing truth. Our debt has been paid through Christ.