

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church and can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK

PONDER POINT: GOD INITIATES RELATIONSHIP

Mount Sinai

Exodus 24

God made a covenant with His people.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

PONDER POINT: GOD DWELLS WITH HIS PEOPLE

Building of the Tabernacle

Exodus 25—40

God told the Israelites to build a tabernacle.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- When God called Moses to go up Mount Sinai, He revealed His instructions for the tabernacle, the ark, and other structures.
- Through Moses, God gave His people exact measurements, weights, sizes, colors, proportions, and more for every curtain, hook, beam, covering, and decoration to go in the tabernacle,
- Just as God's Spirit dwelled in the tabernacle and His glory filled the temple after Solomon's dedication, "[we] are God's temple and ... God's Spirit dwells in [us]" (1 Corinthians 3:16a).

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Read Exodus 40 while sitting around the dining table. Have an empty chair placed at the table, and tell your children it's there to remind them that God dwells, or lives, with us. Ask them what they might say to God if He was sitting right there with them. Then remind them that the Holy Spirit does live within us, and we can talk to Him every day! Share with them that just as God's Spirit dwelled in the tabernacle, His Spirit can live inside of us.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Why did God want His people to build a tabernacle?
- How is God closer to us than He was to the Israelites?
- How does God dwell with us today?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about God Dwells with His People into your everyday life as a family.

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **may you know that God is with you, no matter where you go.**

For more information about blessing your child, go to truministry.com to the Parenting tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit HomeFrontMag.com.