

AWAITING THE TRUE KING

CENTRAL TRUTH | God promised a future King and Messenger.

AS YOU GO

These are simple questions to ask your student as you go home from church or go about your weekly activities.

- What do you think is the hardest part about waiting?
- When have you waited for something that turned out to be well worth the wait?

FAMILY DEVOTION

Follow up with your student later in the week and go through the following summary and discussion questions together.

SUMMARY | Zechariah 1:1-6; 9:9-10; Malachi 3:1-6

In this week's passage in Zechariah, the prophet calls those who returned to their homeland to learn from their ancestors' disobedience and to listen and pay attention to the Lord and His messenger. Zechariah also reminds His hearers of the promised King who will be righteous, victorious, and humble. The prophet Malachi prophesied about two messengers: one messenger would arrive to prepare the way for another Messenger. This unique second Messenger was Jesus—God in the flesh. Both prophetic messages remind us that the Lord has been faithful and loyal to His people. Jesus is the ultimate demonstration of the Lord's faithfulness.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Follow up with your student later in the week and go through the following summary and discussion questions together.

- ← Why do you think it was important for both prophets to remind God's people of the Lord's promises?
- ↓ Why is it crucial for us to see Jesus as the ultimate demonstration of God's faithfulness to us?

PRAY: Lord Jesus, You are the great King in whom true life is found. When we doubt God's love for us, remind us of all that You have accomplished for us.

MEMORIZE | Zechariah 9:9

PARENT CHALLENGE

Challenge your student to use the Daily Readings provided in the *Daily Discipleship Guide* to study God's Word this week. These are the passages covered in this week's readings:

DAY 1

Zechariah 1:1-6

DAY 2

Zechariah 9:9-10

DAY 3

John 12:12-15

DAY 4

Malachi 3:1-6

DAY 5

Matthew 11:11-15

7 ARROWS

- ↻ What does this passage say?
- ↑ What does this passage tell us about God?
- ← What did this passage mean to its original audience?
- ↔ How does this passage change the way I relate to people?
- ↓ What does this passage tell us about the human heart?
- ↻ How does this passage prompt me to pray?
- What does this passage demand of me?