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FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

PROVERBS 29-31



MONDAY

Read Proverbs 29:1-15

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- From verse 5, in what way is flattery like a net (or a trap)?
- How does a fool argue according to Solomon?

"Beware of a flatterer; he does not flatter merely to please you, but to deceive you and profit himself." - Adam Clarke

Kids Discussion Questions

- What stood out to you as we read?
- In verse 5, Solomon warns against flattering our neighbor. What is flattery and why is it wrong?
- Verse 11 teaches us a very helpful lesson. When is it unwise to say what you are thinking?

Sing

Rock of Ages
Augustus Toplady

Pray

For wisdom from your
study in Proverbs this
week.

ROCK OF AGES - AUGUSTUS TOPLADY

1

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Save me from its guilt and power.

2

Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All could never sin erase,
Thou must save, and save by grace.

3

Nothing in my hands I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress,
Helpless, look to Thee for grace:
Foul, I to the fountain fly,
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

4

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

TUESDAY

Read Proverbs 29:16-27

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- In verse 18, Solomon highlights our desperate need to hear from God. What does Solomon warn will happen without divine revelation in a man's life?
- Jesus taught the spirit of verse 23 with his phrase, "those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted" (Matthew 23:12). How has Jesus shown us this in his life and ministry?

When God's Word is unavailable or rejected, the people cast off restraint. They no longer have a standard greater than their own feelings or current opinions. - David Guzik on verse 18

Kids Discussion Questions

- What stood out to you as we read?
- In verse 18, Solomon points out how important it is that we hear from God- how can we hear from God? (*Hint: he wrote a book!*)
- Let's take another look at verse 23. What is pride and why does it bring people down?
- How has Jesus shown us the second part of verse 23 (how has he shown extraordinary humility)?

Sing

Ancient Words
Lynn Deshazo

Pray

For the widows and
widowers of Calvary.

ANCIENT WORDS

-LYNN DESHAZO

1. Holy words long preserved
For our walk in this world
They resound with God's own heart
O let the ancient words impart
Words of life words of hope
Give us strength help us cope
In this world where'er we roam
Ancient words will guide us home

Chorus:

Ancient words ever true
Changing me changing you
We have come with open hearts
O let the ancient words impart

2. Holy words of our faith
Handed down to this age
Came to us through sacrifice
O heed the faithful words of Christ

3. Holy words long preserved
For our walk in this world
They resound with God's own heart
O let the ancient words impart

4. Martyr's blood stains each page
They have died for this faith
Hear them cry through the years
Heed these words and hold them dear

WEDNESDAY

Read Proverbs 30:1-16

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- From verses 7-9, what danger is there in riches?
- What danger is there in poverty?
- Can you think of anyone in the New Testament who fit the frightening description found in verse 12?

The only works of righteousness that serve to justify a sinner are the works of Christ. - R.C. Sproul

Kids Discussion Questions

- What stood out to you as we read?
- In verse 12, we're told that some people will think of themselves as free from the guilt of sin but they are still guilty. What is the only way to be washed clean from our sin?

Sing

Nothing but the Blood of Jesus
Robert Lowery

Pray

Pick a family from
Calvary to pray for.

NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD OF JESUS - ROBERT LOWERY

1 What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Refrain:

O precious is the flow
that makes me white as snow;
no other fount I know;
nothing but the blood of Jesus.

2 For my pardon this I see:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
For my cleansing this my plea:
nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

3 Nothing can for sin atone:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done:
nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

4 This is all my hope and peace:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.

THURSDAY

Read Proverbs 30:17 - 31:10

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- What wisdom does the author see in the work of ants?
- Can you think of any of Israel's kings who failed to apply Proverbs 31:3?

When children are under the mother's eye, she has an opportunity of fashioning their minds aright. Those who are grown up, should often call to mind the good teaching they received when children. - Matthew Henry on Proverbs 31:1-9

Kids Discussion Questions

- What stood out to you as we read?
- From Proverbs 30:25, what does the author find to be wise about the lives of ants?
- Chapter 31 opens with some wise teaching that a King learned from his mother. What is something important you've learned from your mother (or a motherly figure)?

Sing

Amazing Grace
John Newton

Pray

For the other churches in
our community.

AMAZING GRACE

- JOHN NEWTON

1 Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3 Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4 The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

5 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease:
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.

6 The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
the sun forbear to shine;
but God, who called me here below,
will be forever mine.

FRIDAY

Read Proverbs 31:10-31

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out the most to you from our time in the book of Proverbs?
- What do you notice about the "excellent wife" in this passage?
- How would you explain the phrase, "she laughs at the time to come," from verse 25?

When a woman fears the Lord, she will not be anxious about tomorrow, she will do what God has appointed for her to do. - John Piper

Kids Discussion Questions

- What's one thing you've learned from our time in the book of Proverbs?
- From verse 30, what is more important than charm and beauty?

Sing

Doxology
Thomas Ken

Pray

For the children and
youth of our church.

DOXOLOGY - THOMAS KEN

1

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

2

Praise God the Father who's the source;
Praise God the Son who is the course;
Praise God the Spirit who's the flow;
Praise God, our portion here below!