

Home Devotionals -- The 5 Acts of Worship On Giving

(Use this devotional with your family for a family devotional. Be enthusiastic and have a plan. Be flexible and encouraging for discussion. ** This devotional is part of a series with for other outlines on the five acts of worship)

- Begin asking the question -- “what are the 5 acts of worship”
 - Have different family members list out the 5 acts -- **Singing (Eph. 5:19), Praying (I Tim. 2:1), Preaching (II Tim. 4:2), Giving (Acts 20:35), Taking the Lord’s Supper (I Cor. 11:24,25)**
 - [Option] If you have done other devotions on the 5 acts of worship, give a scripture reference to each of the five acts
 - Remind and even reference and quote John 4:24 with your family of how we are to worship God
 - #1 with the right attitude (“spirit”)
 - #2 in the way God has instructed (“truth”)
- Transition to singing
 - Begin this period by having one individual give the scripture reference and another quoting the verse from memory (Eph. 5:19)
 - Let each individual from the family pick a song to sing together
 - Depending on age allow for children’s songs, teen devotional songs, or ones from a songbook
- Transition to the devotional focus for the night (or week) -- On giving
 - Ask your child what giving is
 - Allow for feedback
 - Correct a child’s understanding if and when needed
 - Come together to a working understanding of what giving is
 - Introduce the memory verse on giving -- **Acts 20:35**
 - ***Jesus said, it is more blessed to give than to receive***
 - I recommend depending on the level of development, begin with just remembering the scripture reference and you quote it entirely to them
 - Then chunk phrases having the child repeat
 - Then chunk phrases giving one phrase and the child giving the next phrase
 - Then having the child quote with you with verbal cues where needed
 - Then having a child quote entirely by themselves
 - [Optional] if you have already memorized the verse on preaching, have one family member give the Biblical reference to preaching and another quote (II Timothy 4:2)
 - Share a Bible story on giving and remember to reiterate the memory verse (Acts 20:35) into a short lesson (ideas below)
 - Giving of Barnabas (Acts 4)
 - Giving not like Annanias and Saphira (Acts 5)
 - Giving for the tabernacle (Exodus 35, 36)
 - Widow giving her two mites (Luke 24)
 - Be sure to ask questions and let the discussion be open
- Finish with a time of prayer

- Have one family member give a scripture reference for prayer and another quote the verse (1 Tim. 2:1)
- Let each family member share a prayer request if an individual is struggling to think of something, start with something to be thankful for.
- Allow different family members to offer prayer on different nights
- [optional] before or after prayer time you could sing another song; maybe a family favorite or a calming song to help the transitions