

Family Lenten Reading and Conversation



This spring, read through the Gospel of John together with your family. As you read, watch for and talk about the claims Christ made about who He is and what He has done. Consider ways you can respond to Him together and benefit those around you. Each week there will be questions provided here for discussion. This week's questions come from John 6.

Put some bread in the oven while you talk tonight. (It can be homemade, Pillsbury dough, or any other baked goods.) Let the smell fill the house while you read God's Word. Be ready at the end of your discussion time to talk about how our senses can overtake our thinking.

Read aloud together John 6:1-15, or read the story of the feeding of the 5,000 from a Bible story book. Here are some questions you can discuss together.

- Describe Jesus' miracle in John 6:1-15. Then read Jesus' hard words in John 6:53-59. If you had been following Jesus, what would you have believed about Him? (You have to explain your answer.)
- Jesus was trying to show the crowd who He was, but they didn't understand. How do people today still misunderstand who He is? What are the things that have helped you know Him?
- Christ came to give His very life for us. What connection do you see between Jesus' words in John 6:47-51 and what we do when we take part in Holy Communion?
- How many examples of Christ's generosity can you find in John 6? Christ gave His very life for us. Share some ideas of ways you could be generous this week by giving of yourself for the benefit of others.

Share communion together, using the bread you have made and reading from Luke 22:19-20. Pray together to Christ as the Living Bread. Thank Him for nourishing us with His Word. Ask Him to show you how to respond to Him this week by being generous to those around you. Thank Jesus for coming as the Bread of Life.

