

Individual & Family Worship/Bible Study Plan



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Bible Study Passage for April 5, 2020: Luke 5:17-26

My desire is for you to take the Scripture to H-E-A-R-T by applying this acronym to your personal or family time of Bible Study prior to the worship service on Sunday morning. This can become your own Sunday School time.

From 10:00-10:30 Sunday morning, I'll gather my family together and work through this Bible Study Passage scripture, using the HEART acronym. If you can't do this before the service, then follow up with the passage after the service. Remember, our service will be from 11am-12pm on 91.7 KNEO and on our Facebook page.

How should you work through the passage? I encourage you to use the acronym HEART.

H—Hear
E—Explain
A—Apply
R—Rejoice
T—Treasure

H—Hear: Simply read the passage of scripture as an individual, married couple, or family. Remember Romans 10:17 says, "Faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ." Parents, this would be a good time to make sure your children have their Bible and if they are able to read, have them read a portion of the scripture.

E—Explain: After reading the passage of Scripture together, pray and ask God for understanding of the passage. After praying, ask questions of the passage like: What is God trying to communicate to us? Why did God give us this passage of scripture? Who are the main characters? What wonderful thing did God do? What wonderful thing did Jesus do? What happened in the scriptures before and after the passage we read?

A—Apply: After asking the questions of the passage, consider how this passage applies to our lives today. Remember 2 Timothy 3:16-17, "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work." As you consider how the passage applies to your life, ponder how the passage trains you to do the right thing God would have you do. Consider how the passage corrects you. You could ask yourself or your children, "How does this passage of scripture change me or what does it want me to change in my life?" What does this passage train you to do? Consider what this passage teaches you about Jesus and God the Father. What does this passage teach you about what you need to do different in your life?

R—Rejoice: Identify a promise God has for you in this passage. Parents, ask your children, "Is there a promise from God in this passage that we can hang on to as a family?"

T—Treasure: The Bible says in Psalm 119:11, "Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You." Is there one verse that really stands out to me that I can treasure in my heart? Perhaps, this verse encouraged or challenged you. Find at least one verse, highlight it, write it down in your journal or notebook or write it down on a notecard. Parents, this would be a great opportunity to ask your children what verse really stood out to them. Provide a notecard or piece of paper for them to write their verse down. The idea is to treasure the verse. Put the verse in your personal scripture treasure chest.

I hope this simple acronym will help you work through the passage of Scripture as a family, married couple, or as an individual. If you live alone, you could call a friend in the church and take the scripture to HEART over the phone. It's vitally important we are taking scripture into our lives. Hopefully this little acronym will allow Dads to lead their family through a time of family worship/Bible study. Don't expect perfection from your children, but, I encourage you to lead your family to the Bible and feed them. You may only work through the passage for 10 minutes and some make discuss for 30 minutes or more. There is no set time. Just lead your family to God's Word. Dad's, you can do it!

If you have any questions, please reach out to me at 417-392-7488.

By His Grace,

Pastor Kyle