

# PSALMS

## Family Devotional (6/14/20)

**Key Point:** God is Provider.

*Today, we want our kids to learn that God is good and He meets the needs of His children. Our response should be a healthy fear of the Lord and the desire to live a life that honors Him.*

### What we want the kids to know and do:

- God is Provider: He meets the needs of His children.
- To fear the Lord looks like turning from evil, trusting that God is a good provider, and doing good for Him.

### Text for Study: Psalm 34 (34:8, 10-11, 13-14)

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!  
 Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!  
 The young lions suffer want and hunger;  
 but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.  
 Come, O children, listen to me;  
 I will teach you the fear of the Lord.  
 Keep your tongue from evil  
 and your lips from speaking deceit.  
 Turn away from evil and do good;  
 seek peace and pursue it.

**Create discipleship time:** As a family, listen to the sermon, read through the elementary portion above, and talk about God's Word.

1. Re-read verse 8. What does it mean that God is good?  
 God is what is best for us. Being in relationship with God means we can "take refuge," or find safety, in Him.
2. Re-read verse 10. Why do lions go hungry?  
 Because they rely on themselves to find food, which can be difficult.
3. Do God's children go hungry like the lions?  
 No, because God is their Provider. He meets the needs of His children. When his children rely on Him, they lack no good thing.
4. Re-read verse 11. What does this passage tell God's children to do?  
 To fear the Lord.
5. What does it mean to fear the Lord?  
 Fearing the Lord means to be in awe of Him and to respect Him as a good God.
6. What does that look like in their life (v. 13-14)?  
 Being kind and honest with our words, turning away from evil, and doing good.
7. What does it mean to "seek peace and pursue it" (v. 14)?  
 We can seek peace in our own heart by trusting that God is good and that He will provide all we need. We can seek peace in our family, friendships, neighborhood, and city by sharing the gospel with everyone we meet. To seek peace, people need Jesus to change their hearts.

**\*\*Additional passages for family study:** Psalm 104:27-28; Luke 12:24; 1 Chron 16:34.

**Capture discipleship moments:** Recap by asking your kids what they learned.

1. What did we learn about God today?  
God is Provider: He meets the needs of His children.
2. What did we learn about ourselves today?  
We can show our fear of the Lord by turning from evil, doing good, and trusting God.

**Pray together as a family.** Ask each member of your family – parents included – to share one thing they would like prayer over. Assign someone to pray for that person’s request. Challenge them to pray for that person all week long. Parents, pray a blessing over your children as you close.

**This Month’s Memory Verse**

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! **Psalm 34:8**