

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church, and can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK

PONDER POINT: GOD IS WORTHY

Judges 4—5

God gave Gideon many signs to reveal that He really had called Gideon to serve as the judge who would lead the Israelites into battle with the Midianites. When it came time to fight the Midianites, God reduced the size of Gideon's army from 32,000 men to just 300 men. By doing this, God made sure His people couldn't take credit for the victory. God alone is worthy of praise and honor.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

REMEMBER & CELEBRATE

Feast of Unleavened Bread:

Remembering and Celebrating God as Redeemer

Exodus 12

Before the first Passover, God directed His people to eat unleavened bread (bread made without yeast) for seven days, beginning with the Passover meal. God wanted to remind His people of their deliverance from slavery in Egypt and to symbolize that Jesus, the Redeemer would be without sin.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- The Feast of Unleavened Bread celebrates God as Redeemer.
- The Feast of Unleavened Bread celebrates how God miraculously delivered the Israelites from the bondage of Egypt and ultimately how God delivers us from bondage to sin.
- This feast was fulfilled by Christ's sinless life and sacrificial death on the cross.
- The Israelites celebrated seven annual feasts and festivals: Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, Festival of First Fruits, Feast of Pentecost (Harvest), Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, and Feast of Tabernacles (or Booths).

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Gather your family with a loaf of bread and some flat crackers or matzo bread. Explain what yeast is and how it works. Talk about the difference between the loaf of bread and the matzo or crackers. Share that when God rescued His people from Egypt, He gave them a week-long feast to remember their deliverance. For an entire week, they would eat bread without yeast in it as a way of remembering and celebrating God as their Redeemer—the One who bought them back and saved them. **Read 1 Peter 1:18–21** (**Fire Bible, p. 1536*). Talk about how Jesus came to redeem us from sin and death. Praise God for making the way for us to be with Him forever.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- When did God plan for Jesus to redeem us?
- How did God tell the Israelites to celebrate God redeeming them?
- How can we celebrate God redeeming us?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about God as Redeemer into your everyday life as a family.

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **you know that our God is the Redeemer. He is the One with the power to take our broken lives and hearts and redeem them—buy them back—and turn them into something beautiful, for His glory.**

For more information about blessing your child, go <https://trufirecurriculum.com>.

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