

**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 you 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: JESUS IS PREPARING A PLACE IN HEAVEN

#### Heaven

John 14; Revelation 21

After Jesus comes back to life and appears to His disciples, He returns to heaven to prepare a place for everyone who believes in Him.

## DID YOU KNOW?

*Share these facts to get the conversation started.*

- There are seven festivals that were celebrated by the Israelite people: Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, Festival of First Fruits, Feast of Harvest, Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, and the Feast of Tabernacles (or Booths).
- During the feasts, the Israelites ate, danced, sang, played instruments, prayed, and offered sacrifices to God.
- The Year of Jubilee was a festival that occurred on the 50<sup>th</sup> year, following the seven cycles of seven sabbatical years. It was a consecrated year set aside to proclaim liberty and restoration for all the inhabitants of the land.
- During the Year of Jubilee, debts were forgiven and those who had sold themselves to settle a debt were set free. God reminded His people that He is their provider and He, in fact, holds the deeds to all their possessions.

## CONNECT AS A FAMILY

During your child's bedtime story, tell him you're going to share a part of the best story of all time—The Big God Story. Then **read Psalm 111**. As you read the psalm, explain that this passage highlights some of the amazing things God did as He redeemed His people throughout His story.

*After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:*

- What is God praised for in this passage?
- What does this psalm say God provides for His people?
- How can we celebrate God's gift of freedom?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about God's Gift of Freedom 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), **may you remember how very much God loves you and that He is always with you.**

For more information about blessing your child, go to [truministry.com](http://truministry.com) to the Parenting tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit [HomeFrontMag.com](http://HomeFrontMag.com).