

**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'S SON CHANGES EVERYTHING

#### Paul's Conversion

Acts 9:1–31

Jesus spoke to Saul on the road to Damascus.

## WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

### PONDER POINT: GOD WANTS EVERYONE TO KNOW HIM

#### Paul in Antioch

Acts 11:19–30

The good news about Jesus spread beyond Jerusalem, and many people became believers.

## DID YOU KNOW?

*Share these facts to get the conversation started.*

- In Acts 11, the disciples were called Christians for the first time.
- The word *Christian* came from the term meaning "little Christs."
- Before this, early believers identified themselves as "The Way" and adopted the fish as an identifying symbol.
- The ichthus is an icon for the modern church, though it's now more commonly known as the "Jesus Fish." It is still widely used to identify fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

## CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Find a place outside the front of your home. It could be the front yard, the front porch, the courtyard of your apartment building, etc. Then read together **Acts 11:19–30**. When you're done, reread verse 29, and explain to your children that the disciples' hearts had been changed because they knew God. Out of that heart change came tangible actions that displayed God's love. Look around your neighborhood and talk about ways you might be able to provide help to your neighbors.

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

- To whom were these people telling the good news?
- Why were they called Christians?
- How do you think God might use you to show others His love?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about God wanting everyone to know Him 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 the Holy Spirit help you as you tell others about God.**

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).