

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE | Mark 1:35-45

SESSION SUMMARY

After a long day of healing and casting out demons, Jesus paused and got away alone to reconnect with His Father. While He was doing that, His disciples came to let Him know people were looking for Him. Instead of being frustrated by this, Jesus got up and said He came to preach the good news. So, He went into Galilee with them, where He preached the good news and healed a man with leprosy. Likewise, Jesus meets us with compassion and willingly restores us. These are the key themes:

- Jesus came to bring good news (Mark 1:35-38).
- Jesus is willing to come close to us (Mark 1:39-45).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- Why do you think people sometimes feel like they're too "dirty" or sinful for God to use? Why is that wrong?
- What inspires our family to share the good news of Jesus with others? What holds us back?
- How has our family responded to being made clean by Jesus? How can we continue to respond to this good news every day?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Studying the Bible together at home and going to church or your student ministry are all good things. But we all need one-on-one time with God too. Some people call this "quiet time." Whatever you call it, spending time with God is a choice. Our lives can get busy, so making a plan for spending daily time with God can be really helpful. Discuss together when you want to have that time and how you can help each other protect it. Then, make a plan, considering things like where you'll study, what book of the Bible or study you'll use, and what you want in your quiet-time space to be comfortable as you read and pray.