Family Devotions

Hopefully your preteen is beginning to develop a habit of personal devotions. But there are still plenty of times when your input is needed—and valued. Encourage your child to read the daily Scriptures. Read the verses yourself. Use the questions to help your preteen understand the verses and apply them to life. Discover and learn from God's Word—together!

- O SUNDAY—Read Isaiah 40:3-5. In ancient times, representatives were sent to prepare the way for the visit of a king. What can we do to prepare the way so that others can learn about Jesus?
- OMONDAY—Read Isaiah 40:4 and 42:16 Both of these verses talk about rough places. Do you know someone who is having a rough time? How can knowing Jesus make that person's life smoother?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Luke 1:11-13, 18, 19. Zechariah asked, "How can I be sure of this?" What can you tell someone who is unsure whether or not to follow Jesus?
- WEDNESDAY—Read Luke 1:13, 57-63. Zechariah named his son John, just as the angel of the Lord said to do. Is there something you should do to obey God?
- O THURSDAY—Read Malachi 3:1a and Mark 1:2-5. John the Baptist fulfilled the prophecy of Malachi. What did the people who heard John do? What might your friends do if you told them about Jesus?

- O FRIDAY—Read Mark 1:6-8. How did John describe Jesus? How would you describe Jesus to others?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 2 Corinthians 5:20, 21. Just as John the Baptist was a representative of God, we are to represent Jesus to the world. What message about God and Jesus are we to tell others?



Find this verse in the Bible. Together, memorize the verse.

Isaiah 9:6

Talk to God! He's waiting to hear from you!