

Family Life Group Sunday 3rd May 2020



CHALLENGE:

Last session we asked you to try and remember a Bible verse. See who can remember it.

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart

1 Peter 1:22

YOU ARE CHOSEN BY GOD! WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? Douglas Talks

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=44tgBmqcV8Q

1 Peter 1:17-23

- ² Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, ³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.
- ⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says:
- "See, I lay a stone in Zion,
 - a chosen and precious cornerstone,
- and the one who trusts in him
 - will never be put to shame."
- ⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,
- "The stone the builders rejected
 - has become the cornerstone,"
- ⁸ and,
- "A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

MAIN THOUGHT:

God has chosen you! You are precious to Him! He wants each of us to share His love with those around Him!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS: These are to guide the general conversation.

- 1. Have you ever been left out of something? How did you feel?
- 2. Have you ever seen a house being built? What do they build first?
- 3. Have you ever been caught in a storm? What was it like?
- 4. How does it make you feel to know that God chooses you?

ACTIVITIES:

CRAFT ACTIVITY

God has chosen you! You are his precious child! If He is the King, then we are all His prince and princesses.

Print of the crown picture. Colour and decorate with jewels, glitter, alfoil shapes. Cut out the strips and attach to one end of the crown. Measure your head and cut the strip to the correct length. Attach to the other end of the crown.

ACTIVE ACTIVITY

Jesus is the cornerstone, the stone that holds the whole building together. Set a timer and have a Lego or block building competition. Each person builds a tower, then see which is strongest. You might like to do this by stacking heavy things on top, or shaking the table to see which tower stands the longest.

PRAYER:

Dear Jesus, thank you that you love us so much that you have chosen us to do your work here on earth. We ask that you would help to remember and understand how much you love us. We also ask that you would help us share that love with those around us. We thank you that you never leave us on our own, but you walk with us each day. Amen

BLESSING: *Name*, you are a living stone in Christ. Amen.

CHALLENGE: Try and remember this verse this week. Perhaps you and your family might like to make up some actions to help, or even a song? It's a big one this week!!

You are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood,

1 Peter 2:5a

COMMUNITY CONNECTION:

We would love to see how you and your family are growing faith in your home.

Why not set up a mini 'Table' for the kids like we have been using at LifeWay? It can be as simple as paper and pencils, scissors and glue and Lego or Play dough. They can then make something while you watch the Live Stream as a family.

If you are happy to share photos or videos of what you have been doing please send them to Elise von Stanke elise.vonstanke@lifeway.net.au and we will share these with our community through Facebook and Instagram.

