

GOOD FRIDAY

A FAMILY BIBLE STUDY

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PRAY:

Choose one of the following prayers to begin your time together.

**(a) Dear God,
We ask you to look after our family as we seek to serve you. Thank you that we are part of your forever family because you offered up your only son to die in our place. We praise you for your wisdom and power shown to us in the Lord Jesus Christ.
We pray this in his name.
Amen.**

**(b) Dear God,
We praise you for you are mighty and powerful. Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to teach us and clean us. We ask that you will help us serve you, our great God. Please hear our prayers and requests.
Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

**(c) Dear God,
You made all people and all of creation. Thank you that even though we deserve to die, you desire to have mercy on us. Thank you for sending Jesus to die in our place.
Amen.**

INTRO QUESTIONS

- (a) Why do you think we call this Friday "Good Friday"?
- (b) What is your most favourite thing about Easter?
- (c) What do we normally do on the Easter weekend?



READ THE FOLLOWING ALOUD:

WE CELEBRATE GOOD FRIDAY BECAUSE TODAY WE REMEMBER THE DEATH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. IT IS A DEATH THAT GOD PROMISED WOULD HAPPEN FOR THE SAKE OF HIS PEOPLE. IT IS A DEATH THAT CAN ONLY BE CELEBRATED BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED ON EASTER SUNDAY. IF JESUS DIDN'T RISE FROM THE DEAD THREE DAYS LATER THEN WE SHOULD NOT CELEBRATE TODAY. THANKFULLY HE DID RISE AND SO WE CAN HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT HIS DEATH ON THE CROSS FIXES OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.



Prayer of Confession

Everyone says the following:

God, please have mercy on us, because of your love and kindness.

In your great compassion forgive us for all the bad things we do.

For we have sinned against you and done what is evil in your sight.

Remove our sin from us and we shall be pure.

Wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow.

God, create in us a clean heart and make us good and true.

In Jesus name,

Amen

The leader says the following:

The Lord forgives all our sins,

And - as far as the east is from the west - removes our sins from us.

Through Jesus Christ our Saviour,

Amen.

Prayer

Use this prayer to prepare your household to listen to God's word.

Dear God,

Please help us as we open the Bible. Help us to understand it by your Spirit.

Please show us Jesus clearly as we read and free us from distraction.

We thank you for speaking to us.

We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Scripture and Discussion

Mark 15:21-39

What surprised you in this passage?

How many times was Jesus called the king?

Why was the temple curtain split in half?

Pray together:

Thank you that we can have direct access to you because of Jesus' death. Thank you that he is the great king. Please help us to acknowledge him as the king of our lives.

Amen

Everything in the Scriptures is God's Word. All of it is useful for teaching and helping people and for correcting them and showing them how to live.

2 TIMOTHY 3:16

1 Peter 3:16a

How many times did Jesus need to die?

Are we the righteous or the unrighteous?

What did Jesus' death achieve?

Pray together:

Dear God, Thank you that Jesus is the righteous one. Thank you that his suffering brings us into a relationship with you.

Amen



Romans 3:21-26

What do all those big words mean?

*How many different types of people are there
in verse 23?*

Who can become friends with God?

Pray together:

Dear God,

*Thank you that we can have direct access to
you because of Jesus' death.*

Thank you that he is the great king.

*Please help us to acknowledge him as the king
of our lives.*

Amen



**What are
some things to
give thanks
for?**

Songs

Isaiah 53:6 - Colin Buchanan

Consider Christ - Emu Music

In Christ Alone - Getty/Townsend

How Great Thou Art - Hymn

Jesus Paid It All - Hymn