

Do this step beginning with your 2nd meeting. If someone was not able to do what they said they would do, ask "Is there something we can do to help you do it this week?"

01

How did you do with what you learned last week?

(10 minutes)

Did you do what you said you would do? Did you share with the person you said you would share with? How did your "I Will" go?

02

What are you thankful for?

(5-7 minutes)

Call on someone by name, "Sara, what are you thankful for today?" This question helps you expose your family to prayer. Prayer is expressing our thanks to God. Eventually you will be able to show them how to express thanks to God rather than one another.



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03

What is the biggest challenge you are facing today?

(5-7 minutes)

Authenticity is key to a community of Jesus followers. This question helps people learn how to relate deeper. Be careful though, this question can lead to time management issues in the group. Using the word, "today" can help limit the discussion so this question doesn't derail the family meeting.

This could be your neighbor, workmate or someone in the family. This doesn't have to be some "huge" thing, just a specific act of service.

04

Do you know someone you could serve this week?

(5-7 minutes)

Ask 2 people to read the passage aloud in different versions. Have 1 person re-tell the passage in their own words. Appoint that person before the passage is read. Ask others to add in any details missed. Resist the urge to tell your kids what you think the story means. Let them share in the discovery.

05

What is God saying?

(35 minutes)

Don't teach or explain. Ask, Did anything capture your attention or surprise you? What did you like? What bothered you? What does it tell us about God? About us? About the life God desires for us? Don't bring other passages into the discussion. If someone strays from the passage, ask, Where do you get that from this passage?

Take a few minutes of silence to let each person develop their "I will" statement. Then ask someone to start sharing what they came up with.

06

If this is God speaking, what will you do about it?

(20 minutes)

Develop a SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic & time bound) statement that will put into practice what you learned from the passage. Examples: "I will take 10 minutes a day to reflect on how much God loves me." or "I will begin to recycle because God has given me the earth to take care of." Encourage everyone to record their "I Will".

07

With whom will you share what you learned this week?

(5 minutes)

Share with at least 1 person this week. Preferably someone who is not in a relationship with God and who is already in your relational network.

