

FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

WHY WE EXIST:

# MAKING DISCIPLES (AT HOME)

**"WHERE TWO OR THREE ARE  
GATHERED IN MY NAME,  
THERE AM I AMONG THEM."**

**- MATTHEW 18:20**



EASTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH



## Introduction

Snow may keep us from the building today, but worship and discipleship never stop. Today is an opportunity to practice what we're learning following Jesus together in our homes.

Parents, don't worry about making this perfect—just aim for presence. Whether you're huddled around a fireplace or the kitchen table, use this guide to lead your family through a simple time of prayer, song, and word.



## CALL TO WORSHIP

(Read Aloud Together)

"I will extol you, my God and King,  
and bless your name forever and ever.  
Every day I will bless you  
and praise your name forever and ever.  
Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable."

### **Psalm 145:1-3 (ESV)**

Leader (Parent / Adult) Reads:

Today we pause to worship God together. He is worthy of our praise at church and at home.

## WORSHIP THROUGH **SONG**

“Good Good Father”

### **HOW TO:**

Search YouTube for:

“Good Good Father lyrics instrumental”

### READ BEFORE SINGING:

We worship God together because He is a good Father who is always with us.

PLAY THE SONG, READ THE LYRICS TOGETHER, AND SING AS YOU'RE ABLE.

## WORSHIP **WITHOUT POWER**

If the power goes out, worship doesn't stop. Sing this familiar hymn together as a family.

“Jesus Loves Me”

### SAY BEFORE SINGING

Even when the lights go out, God's love never does.

**God doesn't  
need electricity  
to hear our praises.  
Let your voice  
be the light!**

## LYRICS

### **Verse 1**

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, but He is strong.

### **Chorus**

Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.

### **Verse 2**

Jesus loves me! He who died  
Heaven's gate to open wide.  
He will wash away my sin,  
Let His little child come in.

### **Repeat Chorus**



## SCRIPTURE READING

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

**MATTHEW 28:18-20 (ESV)**

Optional for younger kids:

Ask one person to read verse 20 again slowly.

## Short Reflection

Read or Share

Jesus didn't say, "*Only pastors make disciples.*" He said, "*Make disciples*" and He promised to be with us.

Discipleship doesn't start church. It starts in everyday life around tables, conversations, and in moments like this.

Today, as a family, you are practicing discipleship simply by being together in God's Word.

## Discussion Question (All Ages)

### FOR KIDS

- Who helps you learn about Jesus?
- How can our family help each other follow Jesus?

### FOR TEENS & ADULTS

- What is one simple way our family can grow as disciples this week?

## FAMILY APPLICATION

CHOOSE **ONE** SMALL STEP FOR THIS WEEK:

- Pray together one extra time
- Read one short Bible passage together
- Encourage someone in the family
- Serve someone outside your home (when safe)

DISCIPLESHIP *GROWS* THROUGH **SMALL, FAITHFUL STEPS.**

## CLOSING PRAYER

PRAY TOGETHER

*Hey Church Family -*

Today reminds me of an important truth: The church is not a building, it's people following Jesus together. We'll gather again soon. Until then, keep walking faithfully right where you are.

*Love, Pastor Nick*

Let everyone  
have a  
chance to  
answer, even  
briefly!