



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

The King Calls for Everything

Take Home Point:

Salvation is only through Jesus. You can't get you to heaven on your own.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: Tell me about the offering envelope you made today? (*Kids made an envelope with a picture of themselves on it as a reminder that because Jesus made the way for us to get to heaven by giving his very life, we want to give our very best back to him.*)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Ask your family, "Who is the richest person you know? How rich do you consider yourself?" It may depend on whom you compare yourself to. If you compare yourself to the richest person in your state living 150 years ago, you have more things by far! Did the wealthy then enjoy hot tap water, electric lights, videos, television, washing machines, refrigerated food, cars, or a flush toilet? Then ask, "Do you think it is harder for a rich person or a poor person to get to heaven? Why or why not?"

READ THE BIBLE: Matthew 19:16-26

KEY VERSE: Matthew 19:26: *"It is impossible for people to save themselves, but everything is possible for God."*

TALK ABOUT IT: When the rich young man came to Jesus, what did he say he had done to gain eternal life? (*Matthew 19:16-20. He had kept all the commandments.*) What did Jesus ask him to do? (*Verse 21. Get rid of everything that he had of value.*) What did Jesus say about rich people? (*Verse 23 and 24. It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.*)

The rich young ruler was depending on his own religious goodness to get him to heaven. Do you have things that seem so important to you that you would find difficult to give up for others or Jesus?

PRAYER POWER: Pray for the Holy Spirit to soften the heart of someone you know who does not think they need a Savior. Also pray for something in your life that may be hard to give up for the Lord.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Say to your family, "We can't earn our way to heaven. Salvation comes through Jesus alone. Let's not let our love for money or things get in the way of trusting and following Jesus. What could we give up as a family so we might set aside money for a special mission project?"

Have the entire family discuss and pool their resources together. One great project is to adopt an international child financially. For about a dollar a day a child can be fed, educated, and given opportunities to hear the gospel. One such ministry is Compassion International. Check out their website at www.compassion.com.

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