



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:
Series Review—Israel Gets Captured and Destroyed

Take Home Point:
Watch out for what you choose to imitate.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: What was the reason that Israel was captured and destroyed? (*They imitated the custom of other nations and worshiped other gods.*)

Select questions and adapt for your family.

God Time at Home

FOR STARTERS: Play the mirror game with a partner. One person does an action and the partner mirrors that action as closely as possible. Work together to see how close your actions can mirror each other. Discuss: "Whose actions do you imitate?"

READ THE BIBLE: 2 Kings 17:7-23

KEY VERSE: I Corinthians 11:1, "Imitate me as I imitate Christ."

TALK ABOUT IT: Who did the Israelites imitate in 2 Kings 17:7-8 that caused the Lord to be angry with them? (*They lived by the custom of other nations and worshiped other gods.*) How did God try to warn them? (*He sent prophets to warn them.*) What was Israel's response to the warnings? (*They refused to listen.*) What did the Lord do because of their disobedience? (*He rejected them and let people steal from them. He also allowed them to be captured by the Assyrians.*) Why do you suppose the people of Israel imitated the other nations and worshiped false gods, even though God commanded them not to do this? (*They wanted to be like the other nations because at the time it was the popular thing to do.*) Why do you think God allowed them to be captured? (*They would not listen otherwise. He had given them warnings so he had to something so big that they would turn back to him. He wanted to get their attention. He wanted them to know he was serious.*) Why do you suppose we sometimes imitate others even though it may be wrong? According to the key verse from I Corinthians 11:1, whom does Paul imitate? (*Christ.*) So, whom should we also imitate?

PRAYER POWER: Pray for God's help to follow the example of godly people and a most of all for the power to follow Christ.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

FAMILY TIME OPTIONS: We should not only be careful of whose actions we imitate, but as followers of Christ, our actions influence others. Challenge each family member to think of a person they can encourage by being a Christ-like example.

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