

Through The Bible In One Year

The Adventure of Many Lifetimes:

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Theme: The Covenant Community

Week 14 Small Group Bible Study & Sunday School Lesson

Open (Sharing our Own Stories & Getting To Know One Another

1. What is one tradition that is important to your family? 2. How will future generations of your family know the meaning or importance of this tradition? 3. Why are traditions important?

Going Deeper Into God's Word Together

Read aloud Deuteronomy 29.9-18; Psalm 78.1-8; Luke 10.25-37

Deuteronomy: 1. Moses tells the Israelites that they are standing in the presence of God to enter into a covenant with him. When have you stood in God's presence to make an important covenant? 2. The Israelites' covenant was to extend to future generations. How has your covenant affected others? 3. Moses warns the Israelites not to worship idols. What idols are we tempted to follow?

Psalm: 1. The psalmist says, 'We will tell the next generation of the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord. . .' How will your children and grandchildren know of the good things the Lord has done for you? 2. God established statutes and laws for Israel to keep and pass on to their children. What commandments of God do we pass on to our family? 3. The forefathers were described as 'a stubborn and rebellious nation.' Where might God see those qualities in us?

Luke: 1. The expert in the law asked Jesus, 'Who is my neighbor?' How would we answer this question? How did Jesus? 2. What do we learn about kindness from the Samaritan? 3. Why is it sometimes hard to be kind?

Reflecting On What God Is Telling Us:

1. If you had been traveling down the road to Jericho and saw the hurt man, what would you have done? _____ helped in any way _____ bandaged his wounds and went on _____ promised to send help _____ looked the other way.

2. What people around you need your kind words and deeds?

Applying/Putting Into Practice What God's Told Us

What neighbor will you help this week?