Devo Minute

A Resource to Assist Families in Growing Their Children Spiritually

Listen to Creation

Text: Psalm 148

Purpose: To encourage individuals to listen to the praises creation sings to God by looking all around them at the majesty that is on display in creation.

Memory Verse (Optional): Psalm 148:13 – "Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven."

Background: Throughout the pages of the Bible, a common theme is God's majesty as seen through creation. Jesus, when entering Jerusalem during the Triumphal Entry said to those who wanted to quite the crowd that if they were quieted the very rocks would cry out. The reality is that creation testifies to the majesty and greatness of God.

In Psalm 148, the psalmist encourages all peoples throughout the earth to join creation in its praise of God. The stated reason for this praise is the power of God which manifests itself in God's words becoming reality (Ps. 148:5-6). Take a few moments out of your day to consider creation, its majesty and beauty, as well as the power required to bring it into existence. Take time to pray, thanking God for what He has created and praising Him for His majesty and might.

Suggested Flow:

- Read passage
- Ask questions about passage
- Questions to Get You Started:
 - When looking at creation and considering its majesty, what did you notice?
 - What does God's creation indicate about Him?
 - What are some of the reasons you believe that God is worthy of praise?

Keys for Devo Success

- Remove distractions such as phones, tablets, and TV.
- Assign each family member a role in the Devo.
- Aim for consistency in devo location, time, and length.
- Start small.
- · Insist on everyone's involvement.
- Create a devo time that is custom fit for your family.
- Remember the goal is for you and your family to grow spiritually together, so don't sweat the small stuff.

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

Recite memory verse

4) Pray