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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 1



Big Community Idea:

We respect leaders God has placed in authority.

Big Bible:

Deborah and Barak
Judges 4 and 5

Big Verse:

“Show proper respect to everyone: love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honour the King.”
1 Peter 2:17



Family Discussion:

- Who are some leaders that God wants us to listen to?
- What do you think would be some of God's blessings when we do?



Family Challenge: Respect is something that we need to show to members of our family as well as others. As a family brainstorm ways that we can show respect to each other. Write down the ideas on different pieces of paper (post it notes even), decorate them and place them in different locations around the house so you will be reminded to treat each other with love and respect.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 2



Big Community Idea:

God can use me when I trust Him.

Big Bible:

Gideon
Judges 6:1-7:25

Big Verse:

“I can do everything through him who gives me strength.”
Philippians 4:13



Family Discussion:

- What are some things that you are frightened of or worried about?
- What can you do when you are unsure about God?



Family Challenge: As a family take the opportunity to discuss different things that frighten each of you. Pray about these things and as a family find ways to safely confront that fear with God's help (in practical ways).

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 3



Big Community Idea:

God still loves me and will use me even when I make mistakes.

Big Bible:
Samson
Judges 16

Big Verse:
"Create in me a pure heart, O' God."
Psalm 51:10



Family Discussion:

- Share times when you have been 'caught' out doing something wrong.
- How can we make sure we are strong on the inside?



Family Challenge: We all make mistakes, all the time. This week each day if possible have a family worship and go around the circle saying what you appreciate about each other member of the family. If you have done something to wrong to someone in your family ask for their forgiveness. Discuss how this makes you feel.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 4



Big Community Idea:

I will listen and answer when God speaks to me.

Big Bible:
God speaks to Samuel.
1 Samuel 3

Big Verse:
"Speak Lord, for your servant is listening."
1 Samuel 3:9



Family Discussion:

- How does God speak to us today?
- Share a story from the Bible that has touched your heart.



Family Challenge: This week your task is to keep your eyes, ears and hearts open to when God speaks to you. Individually or as a family keep a journal and write down in it all the times God spoke to you, or when you saw Him in something or someone. For Friday worship share what happened during the week. Discuss how you all see God in different ways and think of ways you can be more on the lookout for God speaking to you.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 5



Big Service Idea:
I serve God when I help my friends make good choices.

Big Bible:
Daniel and friends are taken captive
Daniel 1:1, 2; 2 Kings 24:1-16

Big Verse:
"I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on your laws."
"Psalm 119:30



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when you wished your family had been close to help you. Share a time when friends have helped you make a good decision.



Family Challenge: This week as a family decide on something you can do together to serve those in your school, church or local community. Think specifically about something you can do to serve or help someone who is a long way from home. At the end of the week discuss what you learned and how serving others made you feel.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 6



Big Service Idea:
I serve God better when I am healthy.

Big Bible:
Daniel and friends refuse king's food
Daniel 1:3-20

Big Verse:
"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."
1 Corinthians 10:31



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when you needed to do something difficult to the rest of your group.



Family Challenge: This week as a family aim to eat healthy and exercise like Daniel and his friends did. Sit down together and create a menu and find ways to all be involved in the food preparation thorough out the week. At the end of the week talk about how your body and mind feels.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 7



Big Service Idea:

I serve God better when I help people in need.

Big Bible:

Nebuchadnezzar dreams of the image
Daniel 2

Big Verse:

"O God... you have given wisdom and power."
Daniel 2:23



Family Discussion:

- What difficult questions would you like answers for?
- Talk about people you know God wants you to help.



Family Challenge: As a family this week plan to do one service activity, (bake for a sick friend, mow an older neighbour's lawns, walk someone's dog, donate to charity etc.). After discuss how it made you feel and what you can plan to do on a regular basis to serve others in your community.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 8



Big Service Idea:

I can serve God wherever I am.

Big Bible:

Nebuchadnezzar spends seven years with animals
Daniel 4:1-37

Big Verse:

"Let your speech always be with grace, that you may know how you ought to answer each one."
Colossians 4:6



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when you needed God and you were far away from home.
- How can you ensure God is close wherever you are?



Family Challenge: This week as a family focus on verbally being appreciative of others. Write the memory verse on a small index card and take it with you wherever you go or put it in your car so that you remember to always speak in a way that honours God and builds others up.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 9



Big Service Idea:

I serve God when I share His words with others.

Big Bible:

Belshazzar's feast
and the handwriting
on the wall
Daniel 5

Big Verse:

"But the Lord said to
me... do not say I
am an only child..."
Jeremiah 1:7



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when you told someone about God and they understood you.
- Talk about how as a family you can learn more about God so you can tell others.



Family Challenge: This week as a family set aside some time to write down or verbally share your personal testimony with each other. Affirm the journey that you are all on and talk about ways that you can help and pray for each other. Take time as a family to pray and thank God for his unfailing love and care.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 10



Big Grace Idea:
God's gift of love
gives me hope and
joy.

Big Bible:
Angel visits
Zechariah, Mary, and
Joseph
Luke 1:5-38;
Matthew 1:18-21

Big Verse:
"The Mighty One has
done great things for
me – holy is his name."
Luke 1:49



Family Discussion:

- How does knowing God bring you joy in your life?
- Share a time when you felt hope in your future knowing you were doing what God wanted you to.



Family Challenge: Print out or write the letters of the alphabet on index cards or bunting triangles. Then as a family think of one or more things for each letter that you are thankful for or that brings joy into your life. Make a banner or bunting out of the index cards and hang in a place that you can all see it every day to remind you of all God has done and is doing for you.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 11



Big Grace Idea:
Jesus is God's special gift to me.

Big Bible:
Birth of Jesus
(Luke 2:1-17)

Big Verse:
"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son..."
John 3:16



Family Discussion:

- Talk about special gifts and what they mean to you.
- How do you feel when you are given a very special gift?



Family Challenge: People are gifts from God. This week as a family make Christmas cards and send them to family/friends. Make sure to write in the cards what you appreciate and love about the person. As a family before you send the cards put them in a pile and pray for each person that you are sending a card to.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 12



Big Grace Idea:
Jesus gives me joy and hope.

Big Bible:
Shepherds visit
Baby Jesus
Luke 2:8-14

Big Verse:
"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests." Luke 2:14



Family Discussion:

- How do you feel when you talk about Jesus?
- Share a time when you were really excited about knowing who Jesus is and what he has done for you.



Family Challenge: This week read the Christmas story together as a family. Talk about what it means for you. Decide on one way that you can share the Joy and Hope that Jesus gives you with someone outside your family.

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Primary Year D, Quarter 4, Week 13



Big Grace Idea:

I can look forward to the future because God loves me.

Big Bible:

The Wise men and the flight to Egypt
Matthew 2:13-23

Big Verse:

"My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus."
Philippians 4:19



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when you know that Jesus was guiding your life.
- What do you want in your future that God can provide for you?



Family Challenge: As a family talk about all the things that have happened this year (look through photo albums), share what your hopes are for the next year and pray thanking God for His continued protection and guidance. Then as a family make sure to do something fun together just because.