

SPECIAL EDITION

Pastoring Your Kids



PLANNING YOUR WEEK:

1

Sunday

CHURCH TIME

2

Monday or Tuesday

BIBLE TIME

3

Thursday or Friday

FAMILY TIME

WEEK 10

FINDING GOD

LISTEN TO YOUR CONSCIENCE

MEMORY VERSE:

Acts 24:16, "So I strive always to keep my conscience clear before God and man." (NIV)

BOTTOM LINE:

Listen to your conscience.

2. BIBLE TIME

READ:

Romans 8:14

MAIN POINT:

How do you know what the right choice is? Is there a way to know for sure what God wants you to do? There is a way you can know for sure what God's will is. God talks to you through your heart. The voice of your heart is your conscience. In other words your conscience tells you right from wrong.

DISCUSS:

- The Bible says that your conscience is a "still small voice." Your conscience is an inner voice.
- Have you ever been asked to come out and play with one of your friends and you heard an inner voice say to you, "Remember you are supposed to clean your room first?"
- So, you have a conscience on the inside of you. You know what the right thing to do is. You don't have to ask your mom if you can go out and play. Just do the right thing. Clean your room first, then go ask your mom if you can go out and play.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. How does God lead us? (inward witness)
2. If we have a good feeling on the inside what is that? (yes)
3. If we have a bad feeling on the inside what is that? (no)

3. FAMILY TIME

THE INWARD WITNESS

MAIN POINT:

- *The inward witness is God leading us.*

WHAT YOU NEED:

- A worship music cd.

WHAT YOU DO:

- Play worship cd quietly and lead your family through this exercise.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISE:

- Everyone close your eyes.
- Listen on the inside to these words:
- "Jesus loves you, and you are precious to Him."
- "God put this sickness on you to teach you a lesson."
- When I said, "Jesus loves you," what did it feel like on the inside?

- (Allow for response from your family.) Some say a warm feeling or a good feeling, happy.
- When I said, "God puts sickness on you to teach you a lesson," what did you feel like on the inside? (Allow for response again.) Some say a yucky feeling, bad, terrible.
- This is the inward witness. This is how the Holy Spirit will lead you in the decisions you will make.
- As you grow older, He will guide you in what college to go to, what job to take, what girl or guy to marry, what house to buy.
- Right now the Holy Spirit will lead you in what friends to hang out with, what movies to see, what music to listen to.
- Learn to listen to your conscience.
- Keep your conscience tender because God speaks to you through your conscience.