

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 08

FINDING GOD

THE POWER OF CHOICE

MEMORY VERSE:

Joshua 24:15, "Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve..." (NKJV)

BOTTOM LINE:

Take responsibility for your life.

2. BIBLE TIME

READ:

Genesis 1:28-29, 2:15-17
Joshua 1:1-9
Joshua 24:15

MAIN POINT:

God will do anything for you, but it begins with you wanting Him because you love Him. We cannot make our kids serve God. They have to choose God. God has given them a free will. The freedom of choice is God's idea. God wants us to grow up and learn how to make the right choices.

DISCUSS:

- God gave everything to Adam and Eve, but there was one thing God asked them not to do. They chose to disobey.
- Joshua was faced with a huge job of following in the footsteps of Moses, and he chose to do it.
- Joshua was able to because he studied God's Word and obeyed Him.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. What is the difference between Adam and Joshua? (Adam chose to disobey and Joshua chose to obey God)
2. How do we learn to make the right choices? (what does God say, what do our parents say?)

3. FAMILY TIME

TAKING CHARGE!

MAIN POINT:

- *Take responsibility for your life.*

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Baby pictures of your family members.

WHAT YOU DO:

- This is a great time to establish or reinforce responsibilities in your home.

DISCUSS:

- Talk about when you brought each one of your children home from the hospital.
- When a baby comes home they cannot do anything and need someone to take care of them and to feed them.

- Talk about when each child grew up they stopped having to wear a diaper and be fed by mom.
- Discuss the different jobs and responsibilities they now have.
- Discuss choices they will have to make as they grow older (friends to hang with, college to go to, who to marry).
- We have the power to make the right choices for our life. It is not mom's or dad's responsibility.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. What are things that you can choose now?
2. What are some choices you have had a hard time making?