



Jesus-centred, Spirit-led
hope revealed



Family Mealtime Conversation Cards

These cards have been designed for use around the dinner table.

They are especially suitable for families with primary school-aged children.

Each night, choose one card and place it in the centre of the dining table. Then, as a family, follow the prompts on the card.

We pray that you enjoy connecting as a family and exploring what The Way | Jesus-centred, Spirit-led, hope revealed looks like.

Follow my example as I follow the example of Christ. – 1 Corinthians 11:1 (NIV)

Who is someone you know who shows you what Jesus is like?

What is it about them that reminds you of Jesus?

DISCIPLESHIP

How do you think we can follow Jesus if we can't see him?

DISCIPLESHIP

Share about a time when someone helped you become more like Jesus or understand him better.

What was that like for you?

DISCIPLESHIP

But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. – Galatians 5:22-23a (NLT)

How do you think the Holy Spirit produces this fruit in us?

What is one fruit you'd like to see more of in your life?

DISCIPLESHIP

How do you feel when someone takes the time to help you grow closer to Jesus?

DISCIPLESHIP

As we grow, we learn more about God. How has your understanding of God changed or grown over time?

DISCIPLESHIP

What are some things that help you grow more like Jesus? (e.g. Chatting with someone, listening to music, reading, praying alone or with others.)

Do you notice any similarities or differences between your family's answers?

DISCIPLESHIP

“Jesus called out to them, ‘Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!’” – Matthew 4:19 (NLT)

Jesus wants us to “fish for people”.

What do you think this means?

Share about a time when you told someone about Jesus. How did it go?

EVANGELISM

[All play]

Do you think God can use kids to tell others about Jesus?

Yes? Hands on hips. No? Hands on heads.

What things can kids say and do to help others get to know Jesus?

EVANGELISM

What might help someone to know Jesus? What might get in the way?

What things can we, as a family, say and do to help others get to know Jesus?

EVANGELISM

Sit in a circle and whisper a message around the family.

Was the message clear at the end? Why or why not?
How would you sum up the message of Jesus in one sentence?
How can we make this message clear to people?

EVANGELISM

Who are some people your family could show Jesus' love to? Take turns and go around the circle, each saying a different name, until you can't think of anyone else.

How could you show God's love to the people you have named?

EVANGELISM

Share a time when you weren't sure what to say to someone.

Have you ever felt like the Holy Spirit was helping you to find the right words to say?

EVANGELISM

Play 'Charades'. Take turns acting out something that you hope for (e.g. a toy, a game or a special outing).

What do you think God hopes for, for every person in the world?

What could we say to people to share God's hope with them?

EVANGELISM

Play 'Around the World' – Stand in a circle and pass a ball or toy around as fast as you can, without dropping it.

What are some things God wants us to 'pass along' to others?

MISSION

What would it be like if every Christian shared Jesus' love with the people around them?

What can our family do to show the love of Jesus to the people in our lives?

MISSION

Proverbs 31:8 says, "Speak up for people who cannot speak for themselves. Help people who are in trouble."

Can you think of people in our world who are in trouble or whose voices might not be listened to?

What can we do to help them?

MISSION

God made this world, and it all belongs to him.
What does it look like to live like that is true?

In your home, school, workplace, or community – how can your words, choices, and actions show that God is the boss?

MISSION

"We want the day when you rule everyone to come soon. We want everyone to obey you on earth, like everyone in heaven obeys you." – Matthew 6:10 (EASY)

Can you think of some examples in our world where people don't obey God or live the way he wants us to live?

What do you think the world would be like if everyone lived how God wanted?

MISSION

Jesus calls us to tell people about his love and invite them to follow him.

What could we do this week to join in on in this mission?

MISSION

God is big and strong.
Why do you think he wants us to be part of his mission?

MISSION

What is one question that you would like God to answer?

PRAYER

The Bible says that Jesus would go to a place on his own to pray (Luke 5:16).

Why do you think it is helpful to pray on our own sometimes? Is there a place you like to go to pray?

PRAYER

God can speak to us and guide us in different ways. What is one way God has spoken to you or helped you with a decision?

PRAYER

Matthew 7:7 says, 'Ask, and you will receive. Search, and you will find. Knock, and the door will be opened for you.'

When you or other people need help, do you usually ask God? Why/why not?

Share about a time when God answered a prayer you prayed.

PRAYER

Finish this sentence:

"I would probably pray more often if..."

Discuss what you have shared.

PRAYER

How would you describe prayer to someone who has never heard of it before?

If someone has never prayed before, how could you help them to start?

PRAYER

Can anyone share about a time when you spent time with God, and it helped you feel better or understand things differently?

Why do you think spending time with God helps?

PRAYER

Go around the family and take turns naming a food that helps to make us strong. Anyone who pauses too long is out.

What things make us spiritually strong – that is, strong in loving God and following him?

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

What helps you when you feel bad, sad or mad?

How do you think God can help us when we have these feelings?

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Do you think fighting is always bad?

What things do you think are good to fight against?

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Put a blindfold on someone and ask them what they can see.

We can't always see what is happening in the spiritual world.
What things do you think happen in a spiritual battle?

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

What would you tell someone who was going through a difficult time, and they didn't know what to do?

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

In Ephesians Chapter 6 we read that the Bible is called the "Sword of the Spirit".

How do you think we can use the Bible to fight against the evil and darkness in our world?

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Play a few games of Rock, Paper, Scissors!

Whoever wins each round says something from the Bible that can help them stay strong, e.g. "God promises peace!" "Jesus gives us life!" "The Holy Spirit helps me!"

SPIRITUAL WARFARE
