

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

Scripture

Numbers 23:19-23; 24:5-9,17-19; 1 Corinthians 15:25-26

Session Summary

In the last session we looked at the deadly effects of sin with its ultimate consequence being separation from God forever. We are all sinners, but just as God made a way for the Israelites to be saved from the consequence of their rebellion, God has made a way for us to be saved from ours. Just as the Israelites repented of their sin and looked to the bronze snake in faith to be healed, we look to Jesus who died on the cross to be saved from the consequences of sin. In this session we will look at the faithfulness of God to keep His promises to bless His people. Because God is faithful, we can trust that He will keep His promises, even in the midst of our unfaithfulness.

Conversation Questions

- Do you tend to view God as a loving God who wants to pour out His blessings on you, or as a stern God who delights in punishing His own? Why?
- How encouraging is it to know that God is for us and not against us?
- How can we as a family encourage each other to live in light of God's promises being sure and true?
- How can we use God's blessings to us and His promises to share the gospel with unbelievers?

Family Challenge

As a family, read this quote by John Piper: "God is always doing 10,000 things in your life, and you may be aware of three of them." Allow each family member to reflect on it, and then connect it to the story of Israel and Balaam in the passages above. Afterward, consider how God might be orchestrating the events in your life to bring about something you could never imagine.