



# FAMILY CONNECTION

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

Luke 17:20-35; Matthew 24:45-51

## SESSION SUMMARY

In this week's session, Matthew tackles a complex topic: the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is often describe as now and not yet. The kingdom is here through the person and work of Jesus in the presence of the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, but it won't be fully established until Jesus returns. Even now we are part of God's kingdom. Here are the key takeaways:

- Disciples recognize that God's kingdom is here in part (Luke 17:20-21).
- Disciples anticipate that God's kingdom is coming in full (Luke 17:22-35).
- Disciples work for God's kingdom to be known by all (Matthew 24:45-51).

## CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- What are some ways our family shows that we are citizens of heaven? In what areas do we need to show that more clearly? How can we do that?
- Describe your attitudes, thoughts, and feelings when you consider God's kingdom now and what it will be like when Jesus returns to fully establish His kingdom.
- Waiting for God's kingdom to be fully established doesn't mean we sit around and do nothing. What can our family do while we wait for Jesus's return?

## FAMILY CHALLENGE

Designate a special chair for each person to sit in when it's his or her turn to be encouraged. As each person sits in the designated chair, all other family members take turns sharing one way they see that this person is gifted. After everyone has a turn in the chair, brainstorm ways you can each use your gifts to share the gospel as you actively await Jesus's return.