

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

Matthew 22:23-46

SESSION SUMMARY

In this week's session, we see Jesus's wisdom and authority as He addressed the two groups of religious leaders. The Sadducees—a group of Jewish religious leaders who didn't believe in resurrection—questioned Jesus about resurrection. Jesus called them out on their disbelief, saying that God is the God of the living, not the dead (v. 32). Then the Pharisees decided to test Jesus too, wanting to know which was the most important law. Jesus explained that loving God and loving others are the two most important things for God's people because every other law or command is built on those two things. Here are the key takeaways:

- Jesus affirms the reality of resurrection (Matthew 22:23-33).
- Jesus clarifies the centrality of love (Matthew 22:34-40).
- Jesus claims the authority of the Messiah (Matthew 22:41-46).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- Why is it important for us to be clear about what we believe about resurrection?
- Our motives for loving and serving others matter. How can we help each other keep those in check?
- What can we do to remind ourselves that love for Jesus is at the center of our obedience?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Share a question you've seen online or been asked recently regarding your faith. Work together to search out Scriptures and write out responses to those questions using those Scriptures. You might consider writing a short letter in response to each question.