



Family Devotion for Week of 4/25/10

Lesson: God cares about our problems

Key Verse: "So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows." Matthew 10:31

Take Care

As a family, read Ruth 2:2-12 and Matthew 10:28-31. Discuss how God cared for Ruth and Naomi and how God has cared for your family. Then make bird feeders for your backyard following the steps below. As you work, talk about times God has helped your family with problems.

- 1. Find a pine cone outside or buy one at a craft store. Tie a string to the top so the cone can be hung up.**
- 2. Use a spoon to smush softened lard into the cone.**
- 3. Roll the cone in oatmeal and birdseed - a real feast for birds!**
- 4. Hang the cone from a tree to help take care of your feathered friends.**

Before you hang your bird feeders, pray together and thank God for caring for your whole family.

If you don't have one of these, just throw bird seed on a flat surface!



Family Challenge

Every evening at bedtime, meet together to give your problems to God. Let each person write or draw a problem on a sheet of paper. Put all the papers in a pile. Pray together, asking God to help with each problem and thanking him for caring about our problems. Crumple the papers one by one and put them in the trash. Then get a good night's sleep, knowing that God is handling your problems.