COLLABORATIVE conversations

Center for Excellence in Christian Education

Fuse Faith

CONVERSATION GUIDE

FAMILY LITURGIES & RITUALS

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CONVERSATION STARTER IDEAS:

- Gather the church teacher and/or parent groups together to watch the video and engage in discussion.
- Share the video link and some of the prompts by email to families in your church.
- On social media, link the video and start an online discussion with your church community or parent page.
- Use videos and discussion prompts at teacher training events.

WITH CONGREGATIONAL LEADERS

What at-home practices and rituals are you aware that your families engage with?

What needs or requests for support have families expressed to bring faith practices home?

What barriers do you see to families developing rituals and liturgical practices?

How do you think we can help surmount or remove the barriers mentioned in the question above?

What first steps can you take to encourage and educate families in establishing at-home practices and rituals?

How would encouraging families to engage in at-home rituals and practices strengthen the greater church?

Does your congregation do to equip parents and caregivers in fulfilling their role as the primary figures in shaping their children's spiritual lives?

WITH PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

Are there family rituals or practices from your childhood that you carried on to practice with your own children?

Are there family rituals or practices from your childhood that you intentionally did not continue?

Are there new family rituals or practices that you have introduced in your own family?

What are the barriers to developing rituals and liturgical practices with your family?

How might you overcome the barriers mentioned in the question above?

What do you think the benefits would be to establishing family rituals or practices with your family?

Where do you already see God's presence in your family life?

Do you feel equipped in your role as the most important figure shaping your child's spiritual life? If not, what steps can you take to be better equipped?

WATCH THE VIDEO

https://tr.ee/FamilyLiturgiesRituals