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REVELATION

# FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

weeks 5-7



FAMILIES

# WEEK 5 REVELATION

## THE LAMB AND THE SCROLL

Jesus, the Lamb of God, is worthy of our praise. All the creatures in John's vision worshiped Jesus. As you read this scripture with your family, imagine Jesus as your treasure who is worthy of all honor. We choose to follow Jesus and give him all the worship that He deserves.



**Read Revelation 5:1-14 as a family before you talk with your kids then engage in the discussions below for each age group.**



### Pre-School

- What are some hard choices you had to make this week/last week (*Did you laugh at a friend that fell instead of helping them up; did you sneak another cookie when my mom said, "No!"*)?



### Elementary

- What is your favorite way to worship God (*Ex: Singing, reading your Bible, doing things for others, prayer, meditation*)?
- What stops you from worshiping God?
- How can your family help you?



### Students

- What do you consider worthy (*we worship what we consider worthy*)?
- Who/what do you honor (*we honor who we imitate*)?
- What are you willing to sacrifice to be loyal to God (*to live by his teachings*)?

## PARENTS

**Worship God with your family this week. Take a hike as a family and sing a song of praise to God while walking.**

# WEEK 6 REVELATION

## THE WAY OF THE LAMB

The church is made up of people who have trusted in Jesus, who are committed to love one another, and who gather to worship Jesus and share the Gospel. Jesus loves the church as His bride. Jesus' message called the churches to turn away from their sin and remain faithful to Him. The Lord is slow to anger (*Read Exodus 34:6-7*) and patient, wanting everyone to repent (*Read 2 Peter 3:9*).

Jesus warned specific churches in Revelation, but the same problems they faced can still be found in churches today. Not loving all people, not serving all people, not befriending all people. God calls us to love ALL, even those that are our 'enemies'.

Help your family understand some of the problems the early churches faced. They did not love like they should, they believed false teaching and did wrong things, and they were lukewarm—useless to the cause of Christ.



**Read Ephesians 5:25-27 and Revelation 19:7-9 as a family before you talk with your kids then engage in the discussions below for each age group.**



### Pre-School

- Choosing to follow God can be difficult when others are choosing not to follow him. What is something you chose not to do even when all your friends were doing it (*make fun of someone, not take more than one piece of candy*)?
- What is one way you can show love to an 'enemy' this week (*ask a bully to play with you, color a picture for someone that was mean to you*)?

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# WEEK 6 REVELATION (CONT.)



## Elementary

- If we say we are followers of Jesus then Jesus wants us to live by his teachings. Do you say you are a Christian? If so, what are some ways you live by his teachings?
- What are some ways you can love those that don't look like you? Those with no friends? Those that are your "enemies"?



## Students

- Do you live by the way of the Dragon or the way of the Lamb (*really think about this!*)

## PARENTS

What can your family do to show love to someone this week? This week is all about LOVE, SERVICE and SACRIFICE...Who can you bless this week? Think about the less fortunate, elderly, widowed, orphaned.

# WEEK 7 REVELATION

## THE BLOOD OF THE MARTYRS

Help your family understand that we can pray for our churches to be faithful, effective instruments in spreading the Gospel message. We should love the church because Jesus loves the church. Through the church, Jesus helps believers work together, sometimes as Martyrs (*Martyr - a person who is killed or who suffers greatly for a religion, cause, etc.*). We are all Martyrs in different ways. Though being part of the church was not easy, many times sacrifice was needed so that God's message could be spread. A great earthly sacrifice, for a greater heavenly reward.



**Read Revelation 6:9-11, 20:1-7 as a family before you talk with your kids then engage in the discussions below for each age group.**



### Pre-School

- Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego had to make huge sacrifices for following God. What did they do?
- What is something you could do to show you follow God (*read my Bible, go to church, pray, make sure I am showing love to everyone, worship God, stick up for someone at school*)?



### Elementary

- What are some things that you love?
- What would you sacrifice for those things?



### Students

- We are all Martyrs; we give our life for what we love. What are you giving your life for?
- What can you do today to start showing the world what/who you love?

## PARENTS

**Gather your family around and pray for our church. Pray for the leaders, those that believe in God and those that are far from God. Pray that we will show love and be brave enough to make a sacrifice if needed, so that God's message can be spread.**

## **“I WANT TO REMEMBER THAT ONE!”**

Did one of your kids say something during the devo that you don't want to forget? Here is some space for you to write it down. Write down anything you can think of as well. Write, draw, whatever! Capture those thoughts!

# HELPFUL TOOLS FOR FAMILIES

These tools are available at [www.jacobswellchurch.church](http://www.jacobswellchurch.church)

## ALWAYS AVAILABLE

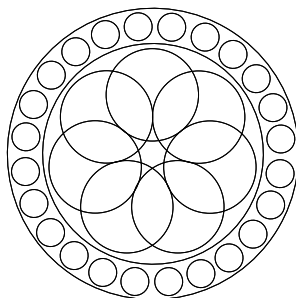
- **JW Kids Parent Pages/Devotionals**
- **JW Students Devotionals**
- **Parent Cue App** [www.theparentcue.org](http://www.theparentcue.org)
  - Blogs, Podcasts, Activities - FREE!
- **RightNow Media**
- **Online Ministry** (JW Kids Lessons)
- **Resource Center** (Buy New Resources)
- **Resource Library** (Borrow Resources)
- **Prayer** (Under Care Tab on Website)
- **Student Life Podcast** (New Each Week!)
- **Family Dedication**
- **Baptism Classes** (Online and In-Person)
- **The Hub** (JW Students Space: Before and After Services)
- **Small Group/Pods** (1st - 5th & JW Students)
- **Play Group** (2nd Thursday from 9 - 11am)
- **Support Groups** (See List Under Care Tab on Website)

## FAMILY EVENTS/TBD

- **Senior Send-Off** (May 2022)
- **Summer Camp** (Summer 2022)
- **Splash** (Summer 2022)
- **College Fair** (Fall 2022)

## COMING SOON

- **JW Family Resource Page on Website**



## **FAMILY GUIDE TO REVELATION**

This family discussion guide is designed to create conversations about what we are learning at church and in our own spiritual growth. Use this guide around the dinner table, on the go, or even after you attend church.

This is a tool to help you incorporate spiritual practices into your lives and help you grow spiritually as a family.