**Family Worship Guide**

**Gospel Unity: Filled by the Spirit**

**Week of 7/24-7/30**

**Tips for family worship**

* Determine a time and place for your family worship time. Select a time that will not be hurried and a place that has limited distractions.
* If you have never done family worship, embrace the awkwardness and chaos. Kids might be sitting on their heads and seemingly not paying attention, do it anyway. Trust the power of God and sufficiency of Scripture to change hearts.
* If possible, let each family member have ownership of the time by allowing them to talk and/or have a part in the family worship time such as scripture reading, praying, or singing.
* You lead your family worship the way that is best for you. However, if you don’t know where to start a general guideline we follow is:
  + Pray
  + Sing a praise song (it’s ok if you can’t sing…I can’t either…but I still model it for my kids)
  + Review memory verse
  + Read Scripture
  + Ask Questions
  + Pray

**Praise Song – The Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*Amen.*

**Memory Verse of the Week**

*“And don’t get drunk with wine, which leads to reckless living, but be filled by the Spirit.” – Ephesians 5:18*

**Family Reading**

* Ephesians 5:18-21

**Family Discussion Questions**

* How does drinking too much wine lead to reckless living?
* What does it mean to be filled by the Spirit?
* What can we do to prepare ourselves to be filled by the Spirit?
* What 3 things does Paul say are results of being filled with the Spirit?
* What are some of your favorite Christian songs and why?
* What are some good things we can be thankful for? How can we give thanks during difficult times?
* What does it mean to submit to one another?
* How does singing, giving thanks, and submitting reflect the gospel in our lives and relationships?

**Prayer for your family**

*God, fill us with your Spirit so that we might not live recklessly. We want to live by the Spirit. Prepare our souls to be filled by the Spirit and strengthen us to center our relationships on the gospel.*