

FAITH PATH

Make the most of your moments

Dear Parent,

One of the core values of Grace Point Fellowship is family. We honor God's design of the family being the primary place for discipleship. The Faith Path exists to partner with you as you guide your child's spiritual journey one step at a time. Age-appropriate kits help you leverage the best faith formation strategy for your child's stage of development. In this Worship kit, we have practical ideas and suggested resources to help you teach your child how to adore God. We encourage you to start today by taking the following simple steps.

STEP ONE: LEARN

We have provided a video and information for this particular Faith Path step at gpf-tx.org/faithpath/worship. You will hear from both experts and ordinary families as they share practical suggestions from their experiences. You will also find a guide that offers practical tips and what we consider to be some of the best resources on the topic. If you would like additional coaching or information on upcoming Faith Path classes or events, please visit gpf-tx.org/faithpath.

STEP TWO: START

To help you get started, we recommend you find a frame and dry erase marker for the God You Are Card included with this kit. You may use it to begin a routine of worshipping God with your child right away.

We hope you find this kit helpful in the process of forming the faith of your child at home. Know that we are grateful to play a role in your family's growing relationship with Jesus and are honored to help you make the most of your moments.

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Your Intentional Plan

How will you be intentional this next year?

- Pray daily for and with my child.
- Consistently spend time in God's Word.
- Bless my child daily.
- Schedule and have regular family times
- Attend church regularly.
- Create a habit of worship with my child.

Other: _____

The next step on the Faith Path is Giving & Serving, recommended at age nine. We'll email you a reminder of this kit on your child's ninth birthday.

To request a physical or digital download kit for your kids' ages, visit gpf-tx.org/faithpath or stop by the Home Point Center.

Recommended Resources

- ▶ *P Teaching Kids Authentic Worship* by Kathleen Chapman
- ▶ *God and Me!* Age-specific devotional books for girls.
- ▶ *Gotta Have God* Age-specific devotional books for boys.
- ▶ seeds.churchonthemove.com/resources/kids

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Building Strong Families



Teach Your Child How to Adore God

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—1 CHRONICLES 16:10-11



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What is Worship?

Worship is our response to the greatness of God. Many Christians limit the concept to singing songs in church. We need to help our children understand that worship involves much more than attending a weekend service. Worship is both an action and an attitude. Scripture says that true worship begins in the heart of the believer (John 4:23). Worship involves taking the focus off us and directing our attention toward God – who He is and what He has done. We may be great multi-taskers who can accomplish multiple things at once, but real worship only occurs when we give God our complete and sole attention.

Personal Worship:

Actually, children don't need to be taught how to worship, but whom to worship. Most kids idolize heroes from the world of sports, music and television. They memorize every statistic and detail about this or that celebrity. In other words, they "worship" in the purest form by focusing their complete attention on someone they admire rather than on themselves. It is our job to help them see the wonder of our awesome God. The best way to teach your child how to worship God on a personal level is by doing it yourself, modeling a life of worship with your words and actions. Allow your child to experience the "wow" of who God is. Intentionally point out the amazing things what God has done and is doing.

Corporate Worship:

It is also important to spend time worshipping together at home and at church. Create family worship experiences using songs, prayer and scripture. Make public worship a priority by gathering with other believers to focus on God through the same elements.

Ways to Worship:

Make it a priority to help your child discover real worship. Use any of the following ideas to get started:

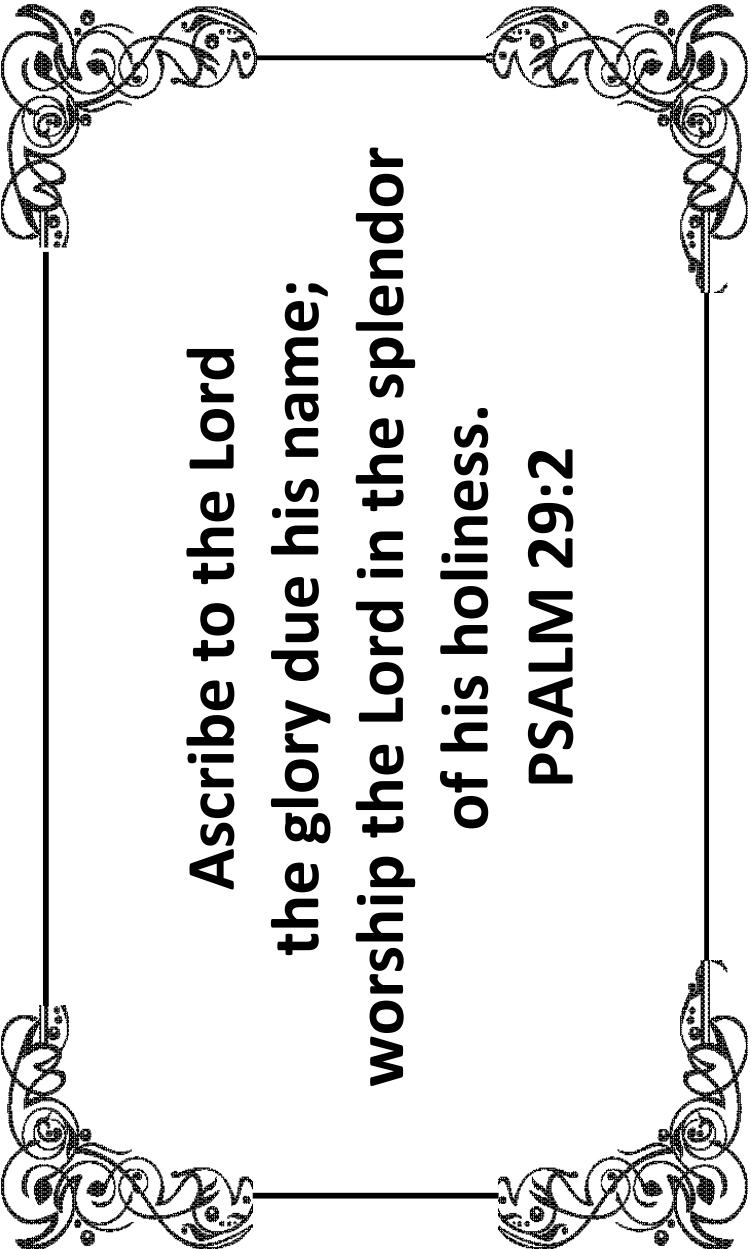
- Spend a few minutes around the table or in the car as a family taking turns saying something about Who God is and what He has done. Try to avoid mentioning yourselves; focus completely on Him.
- Make worshipping as a family a priority by talking about God and committing to regularly attend a church service where you praise Him and study His Word together.
- Play songs of worship or make music together using instruments to create a fun time of family worship in song. Psalm 100:20 says to *"Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs."*
- Declare specific days like "Worship Wednesdays" to make a point of worshipping together. This could be as simple as taking time on the way to or from school or before bed to each say one thing about God you observed during the day.
- Ask your child questions about God's character or His creation. Help him or her focus on how amazing God is.
- Frame the God You Are card included with this kit to start or end the day with a worship fill-in-the-blank. (You can use a dry erase marker on the framed glass.)

***Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.***

·Psalm 29:2



GOD, You Are...



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