

ONE CONVERSATION™

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

CONNECTION POINT: Honoring your parents is one way to honor and love God.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: Our conversations are greatly affected by our perception of the other person. Praying to God is similar. Some people approach God with fear and trembling, hoping they utter just the right words. Others look at God as a kindly grandfather or a vending machine who dispenses whatever we want. How we approach God should be based on what He has revealed about Himself. Thankfully, the Bible presents a clear picture of our almighty and loving Father.

BIBLE
STUDIES
FOR LIFE

MATT. 6:9A; PS. 103:1-

5, 11-13, 19-22

The Object of Our Prayer

STUDENTS

THE POINT: Our prayers must flow from a proper view of God.

- What's your reaction to people who only talk about themselves?
- What are some of the good things our Father does for His children?
- How have you become familiar with the love and compassion of God?
- How does focusing primarily on God, and not ourselves, impact our prayer time?
- How does our view of God's power and love influence the way we pray?
- How can you demonstrate genuine thanks for all God does for you?

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out in the Personal Study Guide.

Here are some ways you can encourage your students to live out their faith with Christ personally, in community, and in their culture:

- **CHRIST:** Consider the way you approach God the Father in prayer this week and follow the Model Prayer as Jesus did.
- **COMMUNITY:** Make it a point to pray with your student every day this week. Consider stopping to pray together before rushing out the door to school and work.
- **CULTURE:** Talk to your student about his or her friends that need prayer and create a list. Encourage your student to tell those friends that he or she is praying for them and offer to pray together.