

ONE CONVERSATION™

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

CONNECTION POINT: People can give money to help others.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: One of the greatest things we can do for other people is pray for them. It may not feel heroic or ever be noticed by others, but to go before the throne of God on behalf of someone else is powerful. Even as we pray for our needs, we pray for the needs of others, interceding as if their needs were our own. Such prayer is one way we live out the great command: "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt. 22:39).

**BIBLE
STUDIES
FOR LIFE**

**MATTHEW 6:11B;
JOHN 17:11-23**
Praying for Others

STUDENTS

THE POINT: Go to God on behalf of others.

- When has someone stepped up when you really needed help?
- How do your prayers reflect the others-focus Jesus has called us to?
- When do you feel most burdened to pray for others?
- What has God used in your life to help you grow spiritually?
- What are some obstacles to spiritual growth that we need prayer to overcome?
- How have you seen unity positively affect a church's witness in the community?

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:** If your student is not already journaling, consider getting one as a gift. Encourage your student to use it to write notes to God and pursue Christ more fully.
- **COMMUNITY:** Foster unity in your student's life by encouraging him or her to connect with other students at church. Consider leading a group or hosting some students in your home for Bible study.
- **CULTURE:** Discuss any friends or neighbors you know who might be lonely and brainstorm ways you can reach out.