

# WEEKLY *Family* DEVOTIONAL

July 21, 2019

## **Bible Point: God lets us choose to obey or disobey.**

**Key Verse:** "He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).

The Israelites rejected God and asked Samuel to give them a king. We also heard how God allowed Samuel to give them a king, even though they were going against God's will for them (1 Samuel 8:1-22; 9:1-2; 10:17-24). Strengthen your family's faith learning and growth at home with this easy idea.

1. Tell your children stories from your childhood about times you disobeyed. Explain how your parents or teachers responded to your disobedience and how you felt about the consequences of your actions..
2. Then talk about times your children have disobeyed and how you responded to them. Be sure to apologize if your reactions were too harsh, or explain your responses if your children are confused or upset about something that happened recently.
3. Talk as a family about how God's responses are similar to and different from the responses of human parents.



## **PRAYER**

Lord, we want to obey You. Sometimes we get so distracted by the things going on around us that we forget You know what's best for us. Please show us areas in our lives where we need to listen to You. In Jesus' name, amen.

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