December 2019

Family Supplement

Scripture

We began this month’s conversation by learning about the importance of reading holy scripture in order to grow spiritually. We reviewed the passage of Christ reading from the scriptures in the synagogue (Luke 4:16-22). Furthermore, we learned about the connection of prayer and reading scripture. Continue this conversation by asking your child what they learned, as well as exploring the resources on this page.

For Discussion:

* What role does holy scripture have in our lives?
* Why is reading the holy scripture so important to our relationship with Christ?
* How can we increase our knowledge of holy scripture?

*Make a plan for your family by setting goals that everyone can share in.*

Saints Story

Read the life of St. John Chrysostom:

<https://www.goarch.org/chapel/saints?contentid=290>

What role did holy scripture have in St. John’s life?

Bible Verse

“In the beginning was the **Word**, and the **Word** was with God, and the **Word** was God.” –John 1:1

Social Media

Watch the Be the Bee on How to Read the bible:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zFmov78GdBQ>

Consider how the study of scripture can become more a part of your home.

Discussion

**As a family, brainstorm a number of words you want to look up in the bible (such as truth, love, resurrection, death, etc.). Put each word on a slip of paper, fold them up, and collect them in a container. When your family is together pick a word and look it up in the Bible concordance or on** [**www.biblegateway.com**](http://www.biblegateway.com)**. Try to read several passages the word is used in to get a deeper understanding of its biblical meaning. Write any questions that arise and seek answers by talking with your parish priest or spiritual father.**

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“The Scriptures were not given to us that we might have them in books, but that we might engrave them in our hearts.” – St. John Chrysostom