**At Home Weekly** is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You’ll find out what they learned today at church, and you can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God’s Word.

What we Learned this week

PONDER POINT: JESUS IS THE GOOD NEWS

**Death/Resurrection—Great Commission**

Matthew 27:28—28:20

After Jesus died on the cross, He rose again and appeared to many people, including His disciples. He told His followers to go and make disciples of all nations. Jesus also promised that the Holy Spirit would come to help share the good news of salvation.

Where We’re Headed Next time

PONDER POINT: god is with us

**Pentecost**

Acts 1—2

God sent the Holy Spirit to the new Christians on Pentecost. When we choose to follow God, we can have the assurance that the Holy Spirit is always with us.

Did you know?

• The arrival of the Holy Spirit was signified by a loud sound, like that of a rushing wind.

• When the Holy Spirit came, the event marked an age for Christians where God now dwells *in* His people rather than just *with* His people.

• The Holy Spirit is an internal compass that gives His people the strength and power they need to do what He calls them to.

Connect as a family

Tell your children that you have a surprise for them, but they must wait in their room until you call them. Wait a few minutes before calling. Then, give them a small treat like a piece of candy or a small toy. Ask if it was hard or easy to wait. Read **Acts 2:1–12**. The disciples had to wait for the promise of the Holy Spirit, but Jesus kept His word. He sent the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. The Holy Spirit gave the disciples strength and power to do everything God had planned for them. Pray together, thanking God that He sent His Holy Spirit to be with us too!

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

• How do you think God’s people felt at first when Jesus returned to heaven?

• What would you have thought if you heard the loud rushing sound when the Holy Spirit came down?

• How does it make you feel to know that God is always with you?

Extend these questions into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how God Is with Us into your everyday life as a family.

Remember verse

The Remember Verse focuses on a character trait of God that’s highlighted in next week’s portion of The Big God Story.

You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence.

Acts 2:28

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child’s name)**,** **may you always remember that God is with you and that His Spirit will give you everything you need to follow Him each day.**

For more information about blessing your child, go to [truministry.com](http://www.truministry.com) to the Parenting tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit [HomeFrontMag.com](http://www.HomeFrontMag.com).