

Here are some ways for you to take worship home with you this week!

Memory Verse (review at least once a day):

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~1 John 3:16

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Read: 1 John 3:16 - 2:21

Reflect: On John 4:20-21: who are your "brothers" and "sisters" that you struggle to love deeply? What are the barriers to loving them with a fuller love? What pain or bitterness keeps you from forgiving them or seeking restoration?

Discuss: What ways did you see God's amazing love reflected in the life and actions of your mother? How can her example guide you to better love people you don't like?

Activity: Pick someone you struggle to love well. Take the initiative to connect with that person in an attempt to restore or improve your relationship. Send a letter or take that person out for coffee. Remember, you are seeking restoration, not vindication!

Prayer: Ask God to identify the person you need to forgive. Ask the Holy Spirit to soften your heart, and to bring healing as you take the initiative to seek restoration.

With Kids:

Reflections

After you get ready for bed tonight and finish brushing your teeth, take a few minutes to look at your face in the mirror. See if you can reflect different emotions: happy, sad, angry, confused, hurt, proud. Your face can reflect to the world what you are feeling inside. Ask your mom to look in the mirror with you. See if you can tell which traits you get from your mom and which you get from your dad. You are a reflection of both of your parents combined. Thank God for a mom who reflects His love into your life.



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