

#### Just a word from Mr. Mac

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Dear Children,

If you and I were walking along a large walking path in the woods, and up ahead of us I saw my son walking toward us, I might say to you, "Hey, look! Here comes my son. I would love for you to meet him."

Or imagine we are driving in a car together, and I see my wife getting into her car at the grocery store, and pull into the parking lot very fast, and I say to you, "Oh, there is my wife, Miss Betsy, I want you to meet her and see who she is!"

One more: you and I are walking down the hallway of the church, and you see your mom and dad walking toward us, and you get very excited, and you say to me, "Here comes my mom and dad!! Do you know them?"

Well, there was a man named John, and we call him John the Baptist. His entire life was for one major purpose: point people to Jesus! Point to Jesus and say, "Look!! There is the Messiah! The Lamb of God Who came to take away the sins of the world!"

In the same way that John the Baptist was pointing Jesus out to people; and the same way I may see someone I really want YOU to meet in my family; so it is, you and I should always be pointing people to Jesus. Always introducing our friends to Jesus. Talking about Jesus. Praying with others to Jesus so that they get to know Jesus.

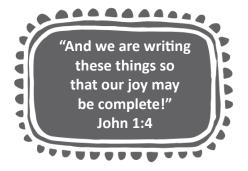
In fact, everything in our lives should point to Jesus: what we eat; what we drink; whatever we do or say or think should all point to Jesus.

Now, we do not do that perfectly. We fail to do that, but that is the amazing love of Jesus. He knew we would fail to point others to Jesus, and that is one among many sins (all our sins) that Jesus died to take away from us. Amazing love! That He would suffer for us for something we did to HIM, and cleanse us of that sin, and forgive us.

Amazing love! How could we not point everyone we meet to Jesus?!

I love you.

Mr. Mac



Do you have a: Prayer Request? Is there something you need prayer for? Praise Report? Has God answered a prayer?

Is there anything else you would like Mr. Mac to know?

#### Mr. Mac wants to know!!

Please write to him here and place your message in his box.

# Dear Mr. Mac,

#### A Guide to Family Worship March 15 – March 20

Suggested questions for mom and dad to use this week:

1. Mom and Dad, begin this week to pray specifically for one person your family knows is not a believer. Begin to pray daily for his/her conversion. In what ways can you reach out to this person; how can you show them hospitality, love and acceptance; how can you "show them Jesus" in your life toward them?

2. Think of ways we can point others to Jesus.

3. Would you be so bold as to actually go to a park or a nursing home or a restaurant as a family with the sole purpose of telling someone else about Jesus?

4. This is a wonderful passage to use with your children to teach them about self-denial (John 1:19-28).

5. Pray: for babies born and unborn; for mommies and daddies; for our church; for our city; for our country; for evangelism in our lives; for self-denial and Christ-exaltation.

THE SIMPLEST OUTLINE FOR FAMILY TIME EVER!!! 10 EASY STEPS

- #1 Just make sure you gather once a day as a family.
- #2 Try really hard to make the same time every day.
- #3 It does not have to be long; it does not have to be perfect.
- #4 Read a Bible verse. Maybe a devotional.
- #5 Sing a song or two together.
- #6 Take prayer requests.
- #7 Pray. (Daddy, your children NEED to hear you pray.) Pray for the children; pray for missionaries; pray for Trinity Church; give thanks
- #8 Everyone tell one thing they are thankful for.
- #9 <u>Have a Leader of the Day:</u> they get to read and/or pray and/or tell everyone to come gather and/or put out the Bibles/hymnals and/or tell something that happened to them that day
- #10 Dad, pray this over your children: Numbers 6:24–26

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## <u>Sermon</u> Art

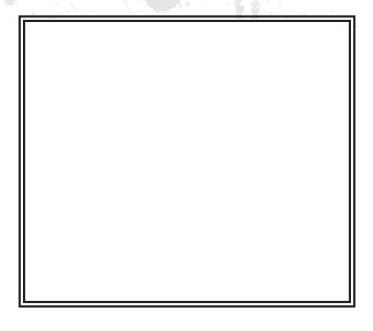
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#### This week's lesson is on

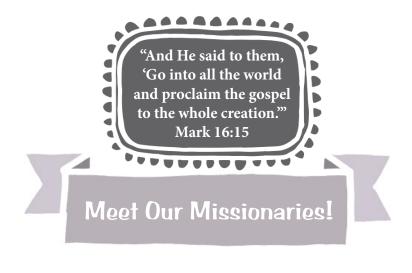
John 1:19-28

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### **Music and Hymns**

#### #378 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

This is a perfect hymn for communion. Most of you have probably not ever taken communion, but I am sure you have seen it and heard about it. We eat bread and drink grape juice that symbolize Jesus' body and blood shed on the cross for our sins. Taking communion is a very intimate moment with Jesus. Verse 4 says "Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness; mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood." Communion is a reminder that Christ died for our sins and we do it in remembrance of Him!

#### #76 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

This hymn points out some of the many wonderful things we receive when we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior: ransom, healing, restoration, forgiveness, grace, favor, rescue, faithfulness, and mercy! Praise Him, "the everlasting King," "the High Eternal One," "the God of Grace." The Lord created you and He loves you. Praise Him for all He does!

> " I am the living bread that came down from hevaen." John 6:51



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