

## COVID-19 Resources for Families

### Discipleship Resources

- [Free LifeWay Resources for Families and Churches](#): LifeWay Kids at Home is available with videos, downloadable activity pages, and conversation starters for families to use at home.
- [Free Children’s Ministry Resources for Churches and Families from Orange](#): Orange has loads of free resources available like story and worship experiences, “God Time” cards, preschool placemats, podcasts for parents, and more.
- [Free Church at Home for Kids from Minno](#): Worship songs, Bible stories, and activities from Minno are available for families to meet with God and enjoy time together.
- [Free Bible Lessons for Families from David C Cook](#): David C Cook has made a book entitled “13 Very Famous Friends and How Jesus Loved Them” with simple lessons available for families to use at home.
- [Free At-Home Discipleship Materials from D6](#): D6 has made a cloud-based folder available for free with daily discipleship tools for families.
- [Mr. Phil TV](#): Phil Vischer has launched his new website a few months early to help parents during this time. It has all of the video content he has created since Veggie Tales, plus family devotions and more.
- [Kids Worship, Video, and Discipleship Media from Allstars Kids Club](#)

### Parenting Resources

- How to [Create Family Memories During the Pandemic](#) article from Melissa J MacDonald
- How to [Explain COVID-19 to Children](#) article from Kim Marxhausen
- Helping Kids [Manage Fear and Anxiety During a Health Pandemic](#) article from Parent Cue

## Easter Ideas

- [Easter Photo Scavenger Hunt](#): A fun alternative to an Easter Egg Hunt!
- Paint celebratory Easter images on your windows mixing kids Crayola washable paint with a bit of water and a drop of Dawn dish soap. Note: It may take a few coats to get it dark enough. Be sure to test the paint in a small corner of your window first to ensure it comes off easily with a wet cloth.



## Worship Resources

- [Free Seeds Family Worship Resources](#): Seeds Family Worship produces Scripture memory songs and has also made free family devotions available to accompany them.
- [Discounted JumpStart 3 Scripture Memory Systems](#): JumpStart3 has made most of their family scripture memory systems 50% off for the time being.
- [Free playlist of upbeat songs for quarantined kids](#) from The Gospel Coalition
- [Free playlist of worship music for kids](#) from The Kid Life

## Ways for Families to Show the Love of Jesus

- Contact your local nursing home to see how you can be an encouragement to their residents while visitors are restricted. Sending cards or flowers may be ways you can brighten their day.
- Go “Christmas caroling” in your neighborhood, singing songs in your neighbors’ yards or driveways. If you are learning an instrument, you can play a song or two on the porch of

someone who cannot leave their home right now.

- Play tic-tac-toe through a window like the boy below did with his grandfather using masking tape and dry erase markers.



- Write encouraging chalk messages on your driveway or sidewalk for people to see as they walk by.
- Call or video chat with family members and friends. You can even have dinner or a snack “together” virtually!
- Contact your local food shelf to see what items they need and donate a few of them.
- Send a “hug” in the mail by attaching two handprint cut-outs with a ribbon. Whoever you send the “hug” to can wrap it around themselves as a long-distance reminder of your love for one another.



## **Creative Prayer Opportunities for Families**

- Build a blanket fort together, then sit inside and read Psalm 91. Thank God together that He is our refuge and fortress, our God in whom we trust (v.2)
- Take plain or solid-colored band-aids and write the names of those you know who are sick or in need of healing on them. Read James 5:13-16 as you stick the band-aids to a piece of paper and hang it where your family will see it often and be reminded to pray for each person.
- Create a tower out of blocks, Legos, or anything else you have on hand. Read Proverbs 18:10 together, thank God that He is a tower we can run to, and ask for His protection.
- Take a length of string or rope and tie several knots on it. Have each family member hold one of the knots in their hand and think about a time they've felt worried or scared, like their stomach was tied up in knots. Read 1 Peter 5:7 together as you untie the knots on the rope, asking God to help untie the knots of worry we may feel inside as we put our trust in Him.