

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of December 17, 2023

One of the best things you can do after hearing truths from the Word of God is to talk about them with others. Here are some questions to help get the conversation started. (hint: the first couple of questions are meant to “break the ice” and get people talking)

- Share one of your favorite Christmas memories.
- Talk about a time that your family did something spiritual together in your home, or a time that you were encouraged to walk with the Lord.
- Read Matthew 1:18-20, 24-25. Talk about why Joseph had this change of heart. Then, talk about what it looks like to do this in our lives.
- “Leading starts with following.” Joseph modeled this for us. What kind of impact does it have in our lives when we are trying to spiritually lead others WHILE following Jesus versus while NOT following Jesus?
- Josh mentioned two things that Jesus did that had been modeled by Joseph (being a carpenter and similar responses in Matthew 1:24-25 and Luke 22:42). Can you think of any other examples like this in the life of Jesus? How about things that YOU do that you learned from your parents?
- Explain this phrase, “Leaders are always leading.” What difference does it make in our family when we remember this truth?
- Joseph led his family with intentional physical protection (avoiding Herod) and intentional priorities (taking to temple). Talk about what it looks like to do lead in these ways in our families.
- Take some time together to pray together.

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