



## Family Battle Plan

A discipleship pathway to assist parents in engaging their children on their journey of faith

### **Week 10: Salvation**

#### Middle School

#### **Theme Verse**

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life” (John 3:16).

#### **Objective**

People cannot save themselves, and Jesus is the only way to be reconciled to God.

#### **Teach**

In the beginning, Adam and Eve walked with God in a perfect relationship! Each day, they were in harmony with each other, enjoying all of creation. God gave them a simple command: Don't eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Adam and Eve failed and committed a sin against God. They chose their ways rather than God's ways.

This sin had some serious consequences, not just for Adam and Eve, but for all of mankind. Every person is born as a sinner, separated from a relationship with God. Not only has sin caused hurt, trials, and sufferings here in this life, but also for eternity. The ultimate cost of sin is eternal punishment in Hell. Praise God verses like John 3:16 show us that God still loves us and has made a way for us to be reconciled to Him.

Jesus came to this earth and died on the cross. He took on the full punishment for every person's sin when the wrath of God was poured out on Jesus at His death. He was buried in a tomb, and many of His followers doubted if He was truly the Messiah to bring salvation. However, on the third day, Jesus rose from the dead! He literally walked out of the tomb, defeating sin and crushing death. Jesus invites all of the world to believe in Jesus as the Savior of the world, repenting of sin, and receiving Him as their Lord.

One man's failure, Adam, led to the condemnation of all of mankind. However, one Man's sacrifice, Jesus, led to salvation for all who would put their faith in Him and repent of their sin.

### **Discussion Questions**

- Have you ever accepted Jesus as your Savior?
- Do you think about that often?
- How could you share that more often with your friends?

### **Play**

Play a simple game of deal or no deal. Give your preteen \$1 and have them choose one of three options. Some may be good, and some may be bad. Do this as many times as you want but use it to teach that giving your eternal security to Jesus is never a bad deal. We always get more in return.

### **Sing**

["God So Loved"](#)

### **Live it Out**

Pray as a family that over the next week, at least one of you will get to tell someone else about Jesus. If we truly believe God saved us from a horrible separation from Him, we should want to tell others. Set a time one week from now when you will all share if you had the opportunity.

### **Closing Prayer**

Lord, I praise You "that everyone who believes in Him (You) will not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16). Thank You for saving me from my sins and separation from You. Help me to share this truth with others.