**Note:** Consider taking turns reading

 Consider reading from different Bible Translations

Consider underlining memory verses in your Bible

 Consider having everyone write their memory verses in a journal

 Consider keeping track of family members’ prayer requests in a journal

Please adapt these lessons for the needs of your family

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 8 – Songs of Praise**

**Start with Prayer**

 **Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1 – I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders.**

**Lesson 8 Scripture: Isaiah 12**

**Lesson 8 - Part 1: Reason for Praise**

**Scripture: Isaiah 11:10-16**

**Comment:** If you have a mind to read chapters 5-11 of Isaiah you will see the prophesy of not only the future of Israel and Judah but also the upcoming birth of Jesus – there are many reasons to praise God. We may not always understand prophesy and with most prophesy there are different ways of looking at what is written.

**Read: Isaiah 11:10-16 and answer these questions:**

1. Whose root?
2. What will happen in verse 12?
3. What happened to Ephraim’s jealousy?

**Something to talk about:** What happens when there is jealousy? Looking at chapters 5-11 we see the foretelling of Jesus – Is that not reason to praise God?

**Next Time we are going to look at the Song.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:** Dear God**,** thank-you for your word, knowing that the coming of Jesus was foretold in the Old Testament – it just adds to the many reasons to believe in you and in your word. Help us always to praise you in song and in prayer. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 8 – Songs of Praise**

**Start with Prayer**

**Review Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1**

**Lesson 8 Scripture: Isaiah 12**

**Lesson 8 – Part 2: Praise, Trust and Strength**

**Scripture: Isaiah 12:1-3**

**Comment:**  Here we have a song of Praise, a praise of deliverance, the prophesy of the joining of Israel and Judah, the prophesy of Jesus’ birth – a lot to be happing and praising about. “In that day” here is perhaps the day of the reuniting of the two nations.

**Read: Isaiah 12:1-3 and answer these questions:**

1. Who is the “I” here?
2. What was God with the people?
3. What is God to the people?

**Something to talk about:**  What goes along with salvation? Look at other translations of the Bible and see how “The Lord, the Lord” is different. Why the emphasis on the Lord? Once again water is used as a life giving source unto eternal life – Why? Has He become your salvation?

**Next time we will look at making God’s name known to all the world.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:**  Dear Heavenly Father, with your salvation comes trust without fear, you are our strength and our song, help us with joy to draw from the wells of salvation and praise your name. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 8: Songs of Praise**

**Review Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1**

**Lesson 8 Scripture: Isaiah 12**

**Lesson 8, Part 3 – Give Thanks, Proclaim and Sing**

**Scripture: Isaiah 12:4-6**

**Comment:** We have looked at this short song as a praise for what will take place in that day – the day for the Israelites was the reuniting of their country, in our day first of all it is putting our trust in Jesus and His Salvation and then the Day that Jesus will return to gather us to himself – each a day for thanks, proclamation and song.

**Read: Isaiah 12:4-6 and answer these questions:**

 1. What four things are done in verse 4?

 2. Why sing?

 3. Who is the “Holy One of Israel”?

**Something to talk about:**  Looking at the four things done in verse four – Are they public or private activities? What was supposed to be done in verse 5 besides sing of the glorious things God has done? What are some ways to do that?

**Next time we will look at another Song of Praise!**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:** Dear Heavenly Father, thank-you for reasons to sing of your salvation. Thank-you for being with us each and every day help us to make all that you have done known to all the world. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.