**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 9 – A Song of Praise**

**Start with Prayer**

 **Memory Verse – Isaiah 26:4 – Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord, is the Rock eternal.**

**Lesson 9 Scripture: Isaiah 26:1-15**

**Lesson 9 - Part 1: Reason for Praise**

**Scripture: Isaiah 26:1-4**

**Comment:** This song is a song that not only fits the Children of Israel as they come back from exile but also fits the prophesy of the gospel – in that day is today – we will take a look at what this song means to us today.

**Read: Isaiah 26:1-4 and answer these questions:**

1. What is the strong city?
2. Who is to enter through the open gates?
3. How are we kept in perfect peace?
4. Why the double Lord?

**Something to talk about:** Why is the city strong? What all does perfect peace include? Trust here means “commit oneself fully to” – Why are we to commit to the Lord? How strong is the foundation? Why is that important for a life or a city or anything built to have a strong foundation? How long should our trust be and how long will the Lord be?

**Next Time we are going to look at walking in the way.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:** Dear God**,** with your salvation, your deliverance we have strong walls and ramparts that kept out the enemies of old and the sin of today. Thank-you for being our rock and our salvation. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 9 – A Song of Praise**

**Start with Prayer**

**Review Memory Verse – Isaiah 26:4**

**Lesson 9 Scripture: Isaiah 26:1-15**

**Lesson 9– Part 2 – Righteousness**

**Scripture: Isaiah 26:5-10**

**Comment:**  In this section we will see how the proud are dealt with, how the righteous are helped and the disregard the wicked have for God.

**Read: Isaiah 26: 5-10 and answer these questions:**

1. What kind of people would “dwell on high”?
2. What happens to the high dwellers?
3. How is the path of the righteous?
4. What kind of “graces” is shown to the wicked? (And many of the same to the righteous)

**Something to talk about:**  When He humbles, lays the lofty cities down in the dust – What kind of feet trample it down? In verse 8 what all are we to be doing? Look at the list of graces to the wicked, like those to the righteous – What still does not happens – even in the land of uprightness?

**Next time we will look at peace and other lords.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:**  Dear Heavenly Father, help us to wait on you and our souls to yearn for you. Thank-you for leveling our paths as we learn about you and your love and grace. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 9: A Song of Praise**

**Review Memory Verse – Isaiah 26:4**

**Lesson 9 Scripture: Isaiah 26: 1-15**

**Lesson 9, Part 3 – An Enlarged Nation**

**Scripture: Isaiah 26: 11-15**

**Comment:** We have seen in this song that salvation is the walls of our “city” and we have perfect peace in being steadfast and trusting in God. The proud and lofty will be humbled and the path of the righteous is level and smooth. We need to desire to know God and even though there are graces given to the wicked, like rain, sunshine etc. they have no regard for God.

**Read: Isaiah 26: 11-15 and answer these questions:**

 1. What don’t the wicked see?

 2. What does the Lord establish for us?

 3. What has happened to the “other lords”?

**Something to talk about:**  The song asks for the wicked to see the zeal of God for his people and be put to shame – How can that be translated for us personally and our zeal for God? The enlarging of the nation in verse 15 applies to our hearts – How can we enlarge the territory we have in Jesus? See I Chronicles 4:9-10 – The Prayer of Jabez. If we pray for enlarged territory we also must be ready to accept the responsibility of that territory.

**Next time we will look at a fruitful vineyard song!**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:** Dear Heavenly Father, thank-you for from the moment of accepting you as Savior that you have steadily encouraged us to enlarge our territory thank-you for the blessings of that endeavor. Help us always to be looking for ways to praise you. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.