

Ten Tips for Family Devotions

Here are ten tips related to family devotions.

1. More important than *how* you do family devotions is *that* you do family devotions.
2. Keep family devotions simple, especially when starting out. Five engaging minutes are far better than twenty rambling ones.
3. Family devotions is not only about gaining knowledge but also about establishing patterns and displaying priorities.
4. The foundation of family devotions is simple: read and pray. Better said: read, teach, and pray.
5. Family devotions don't need to be fun, but they must not be drab either. Focus on engagement, not entertainment.
6. The benefit of family devotions is not only gaining knowledge but also relating to God together as a family.
7. Do not grow discouraged if your children look bored. Measure long, not short and let your kids be kids.
8. Ask for tips on family devotions from others in your local church. Glean from their successes and false starts.
9. Expect that God will work through family devotions but do not demand that his work take a certain form.
10. Dad, take responsibility for family devotions. Lead your family by leading them to the Word and leading them in prayer.