



Use the following thoughts and questions to have one spiritual conversation. You can pick and choose, use them all or just allow the statement to be your guide. The emphasis shouldn't be about having all the answers, but simply having a conversation.

1. Opening Statement

Begin your conversation by asking about this statement:

Read the Bible in light of the Bible, in light of Christ, and in community.

This statement is the biblical truth the student's study was built around. Each week there will be one statement that ties the whole study together. These would be great statements to remember together. The hope is that thoughts and ideas will stem from these statements. You can also begin by sharing a thought of your own that you learned during your study of the same lesson. Ask what thoughts were surprising as the study was taught.

2. Thought From the Study

Not only does all the fullness of the Godhead dwell in Jesus (Col. 1:19), but the whole of the story of the Bible finds its focus in Him. The apostles claimed that all the promises of God find their "Yes" in Christ (2 Cor. 1:20). This means that we need to read the Bible understanding that everything in the whole story relates to Christ in some way; He is at the center of the story.

What happens when our Bible-reading is disconnected from Jesus' work for us?

3. Quote for Discussion

Discuss this quote together. How does this change your understanding of a relationship with Jesus?

"The Bible is not just a library of religious books; it is the inspired and authoritative Word, a unified message from God to us." —Mark Strauss

4. Conversation Questions

Use these questions to begin thinking through and applying the lessons to your family life:

1. How can we do a better job of helping one another understand what God is saying to us in His Word?
2. What can we do as a family to make sure we grasp the whole story of Scripture?
3. Why is it important to encourage and challenge one another to read the Bible regularly?
4. Are you more likely to read and understand the Bible if we read it together as a family? Why or why not?