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# APRIL 2009...CONVICTION

Standing for what is right even when others don't.

Bringing the Light of Jesus into the Heart of the Home and giving parents the tools to be the Spiritual Champion in their home!

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- Week #1: When you stand for what's right, you may feel like you're alone.
- Week #2: We can stand for what is right because Jesus is alive.
- Week #3: When you stand for what's right, you show others who God is.
- Week #4: When you stand for what's right, you can know God is with you.



**"Impress them upon your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." Deuteronomy 6:7**

## You shall talk about these things when you...

Sit at home

Try to set aside one special meal this month and talk about the last supper that Jesus had with his disciples. Talk about what it might have been like to be at that table and why the meal Jesus shared with his disciples was so special. Some other questions you can ask at meal time to spark discussion about this month's virtue CONVICTION:

- ☉ Talk about what CONVICTION is.
- ☉ Share about a time when you stood up for what is right even when other people didn't. How about when you *didn't* stand up for what was right...what happened?
- ☉ What is something you (as a parent and then as a child) are convicted about.



Get up

- ☑ When YOU wake up in the morning pray for your kids. Ask God to give them the courage to stand up for what's right today.
- ☑ The first person to memorize this month's verse gets a special breakfast!
- ☑ Write out some things that your family "stands up for" and post them on the bathroom mirror.
- ☑ Tell your child your proud of him/her when you see them stand up for what is right-even when it's hard!

Do you do bedtime stories at your house?

Try reading the scripture for the week. Here they are & where to find them in the Bible ☺

- ☞ Week # 1: The Darkest Hour...Jesus' arrest, trial and Crucifixion—Luke 22:39-71, 23:1-26, 34-36, 44-49
- ☞ Week #2: A New Day Jesus Resurrection Luke 23:50-56, John 20:1-18
- ☞ Week #3: Living Loud—Peter and John before the Sanhedrin Acts 4:1-21
- ☞ Week #4: Never Alone—Stephen Stoned Acts 6:8-15, 7:1-60

Enjoy reading from God's Word with your child. It's a life-habit that's good to start now.

Lie down

☞ Join us for the Family Matters parenting

Conference called Raising Truly Great Kids on April 24th and 25th. Information in the Welcome Center!

Along the road

When you're in your vehicle you have a captive audience! Use that time wisely and get creative about your conversations.

- ☞ Pray with your kids as they go off to school...that they would have courage to stand for their convictions.
- ☞ Remember that listening to Christian music and radio theatre is a great way to pass the time and instill the values you hold as convictions!
- ☞ Did you see that rescue vehicle go by? One conviction to hold on to is that God hears and answers prayer. Say a prayer for whoever is in need of the rescue vehicles service.
- ☞ Talk to your kids about times in your life when it was hard to stand for the truth. What happened as a result of your convictions?
- ☞ Dig into your kids' lives...find out about what's going on in their schools and what is easy or hard for them stand up for. Ask open ended questions and then LISTEN to your