



## A NEW RELATIONSHIP

When we receive Jesus into our lives we are born into God's family. We now have a new relationship with God. He has become our Heavenly Father and he wants us to grow to know him more.

💡 How do we usually build relationships with other people? Discuss.

Just as it is important to spend time with a person to get to know them, we also need to spend time with God so we can build our relationship with him. Let's learn from the example of Jesus.

### **1. THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS**

✝ What did Jesus do when He was on earth?

Mark 1:35 \_\_\_\_\_

Luke 6:12 \_\_\_\_\_

✝ After the disciples had seen the example of Jesus what did they ask Him?

Luke 11:1-2 \_\_\_\_\_

💡 What do you think the disciples had seen in the life of Jesus that made them ask him how to pray?

We can see that Jesus had a close relationship with his Heavenly Father, and he wanted to spend time alone with him – talking and listening to him. Is that possible for other people to have? Yes it is! Let's look at the example of some others.

### **2. THE EXAMPLE OF OTHERS**



✝ What did God tell Joshua to do every day?

Joshua 1:8 \_\_\_\_\_

✝ What was Daniel's usual practice each day?

Daniel 6:10 \_\_\_\_\_

✝ What are some of the things David did when he spent time with God?

Psalm 5:3 \_\_\_\_\_

Psalm 59:16 \_\_\_\_\_

### **3. OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD**

In the verses we have looked at so far there are 4 different things that we can do when we spend time with God.

† What are these 4 things? What do they mean to you? Discuss.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) \_\_\_\_\_



† What advice does Jesus give to help us when we spend time with God?

Matthew 6:6 \_\_\_\_\_

Some of us are like to get up early and we are ready to start the day. Others prefer to stay up at night and find it hard to get up in the morning.

💡 What are you like? When would be a good time for you to spend time alone with God? Share.

† What promises does God give when we spend time with him or wait on Him?

Isaiah 40:28-31 \_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 8:34-35 \_\_\_\_\_

God wants each of us to have a close relationship with him, just as Jesus did. That means we need to spend time with him – talking and listening to him. When we do he promises to bless us. Over the next few weeks we will learn how to do that.



Share one prayer request and pray for each another.

#### **Memory Verse**

“But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father secretly. Then your Father, who knows all secrets, will reward you.”

Matthew 6:6