

Family Discussion Questions

Break the Ice:

1. Have you ever taken something that wasn't yours? Why did you take it?
2. Were you caught and what were the consequences?

What do I think?

1. Why do you think in his last moments the thief believed in Christ?
2. Do you think it's fair that people can receive forgiveness on their deathbed even if they've lived a horrible life? Why or why not?
3. Which of these is most difficult for you: revering God, revealing sin, recognizing Jesus or requesting salvation?

What does God say?

1. Read [John 1:9-13](#) – What do we learn about Jesus in these verses?
2. What do we learn about the way to salvation from these verses?
3. Read [Hebrews 9:27](#) – What does this verse say happens when we die?
4. Why then is it important to accept Christ while we're alive?

What steps will I take?

1. What can you do to make sure you've turned your life to Christ?
2. What can you do to better live your life fully for Him?

Challenge:

This week, spend time thinking about what Christ has done for you on the cross. Think about the forgiveness and promise that the thief on the cross received. Think about the forgiveness that you've received. Based on what Christ has done for you, what should your response be? Ask God to help you be a fully devoted follower of His Son Jesus Christ. No matter where it takes you, commit to live your life fully for the One who fully forgave you.