



SUMMERTIME FAMILY DEVOTIONAL FOR THE WEEK OF 06/21/20

INSIDE OUT

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SCRIPTURE PASSAGES: MATTHEW 23:25-26; 1 JOHN 1:9

BIG IDEA: GOD CARES MORE ABOUT WHAT IS INSIDE THAN OUTSIDE.

ACTIVITY - CAR WASH

SUPPLIES:

- VACUUM
- WINDOW CLEANER AND PAPER TOWEL
- ARMOR ALL (OR SIMILAR) AND CLOTH
- HOSE AND SPRAYER
- BUCKET OF SOAPY WATER
- SPONGES
- TOWELS
- TIRE CLEANER (OPTIONAL)
- BRUSHES FOR TIRES (OPTIONAL)

COST: IN THE EVENT THAT YOU DO NOT HAVE MOST OF THESE SUPPLIES AT HOME ALREADY, I RECOMMEND YOU GO THE CHEAP ROUTE: AVOID EXPENSIVE SUPPLIES! THE TOTAL COST FOR THIS PROJECT SHOULD BE BETWEEN \$10-\$15.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1.) Open all car doors and trunk. Remove all items out of the car (floor mats, car seats, trash, misc items).
- 2.) Vacuum out the entire inside of car (including the trunk)
- 3.) Wash the interior windows next with glass cleaner and paper towel.
- 4.) Use "Armor All" type product to clean the dash and all the misc plastic parts. (The key is to spray the actual cloth to avoid getting on the clean windows)
- 5.) Once car is completely clean on inside, return only the items needed like floor mats and car seats. The goal is to declutter the car.
- 6.) Now we start to work on the outside of the vehicle.
- 7.) (Optional) Spray tire cleaner on tires and let soak for a minute, then brush tires and rinse.
- 8.) Spray the car down with the hose to get as much loose dirt off the vehicle as possible.
- 9.) I break down the car into 5 segments (Spray, Hand Scrub with brushes, and Rinse) in order to not have the soap dry and leave marks on car.
 - a. Top of car
 - b. Side of car
 - c. Front of car
 - d. Other side of car
 - e. Back of car
- 10.) Towel dry when complete to avoid water spots.

DEVOTIONAL:

Do: Open your Bibles to Matthew 23:25-26 and 1 John 1:9

Read: Matthew 23: 25-26

Say: In this passage, Jesus states, “Blind Pharisees! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean.”

Ask: What do you think this means?

Allow Responses...

(We can act and look clean on outside, but are really dirty on the inside.)

Ask: How do you think we get clean on the inside?

Allow Responses...

(Confessing our sins, repenting from them, and walking with Jesus.)

Read: 1 John 1:9

Say: This passage in the Bible states “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness”

Ask: What do you think that means? How does this verse tell us we can get clean on the inside?

Allow Responses...

(When we say we are sorry for disobeying and ask for forgiveness, God does the ultimate cleaning.)

(Believing Jesus and putting our trust in Him starts the process. As we continue to spend time with God through prayer and studying the Bible, He changes us to be more like Him.)

Family Prayer

Father, help us to make spending time with You a priority. We ask that the Holy Spirit works in us and helps us to be more like You. We ask for a pure heart that follows after You. Please give our family the ability to talk openly regarding what is troubling us and work together to show fruit of our walk with You. Amen