

**1. We are part of God's family**

- a) Why does Jesus invite us to address God in prayer as “our Father in heaven”? Matthew 6:9
- b) How did Jesus reinforce this teaching after His resurrection from the dead? John 20:17
- c) What can we learn from Paul's testimony to Christians in Ephesus? Ephesians 3:14-15
- d) Why is the testimony of the apostle John a cause for rejoicing? 1 John 3:1-2
- e) What are your thoughts about being part of God's family?

**2. Our Heavenly Father is the owner of everything**

- a) What common theme is found in the following Scriptures? Psalm 24:1, 50:10-12, Haggai 2:6-8
- b) What confession did King David make when he was gathering all the materials necessary for his son to build a temple for the LORD? 1 Chronicles 29:13-14
- c) If God is the owner of everything, how should we relate to the blessings we receive from the LORD?

**3. Our Heavenly Father provides resources for His family**

- a) What are the most precious resources our Father in heaven has provided for His family on earth? John 3:16-17, John 14:15-17, John 10:10

- b) What promise did Jesus give in His sermon on the Mount about God's provision of the material resources we need? Matthew 6:31-33
- c) What testimony did the Psalmist give regarding God's provision of the resources we need for our daily lives? Psalm 23:1, 37:25
- d) What assurance did the apostle give to Christians in Philippi and to each one of us? Philippians 4:19
- e) Our Father in heaven can provide for our needs in a variety of ways. Share a time when you clearly recognized God was providing for your needs.
- f) What is your response to the Psalmist's question recorded in Psalm 116:12?

**4. We have responsibilities as part of God's family**

- a) Matthew 22:37-39 Why does God expect us as members of His family to love Him with all our hearts and to love one another? (1 John 4:7-11)
- b) Why is loving obedience to God another important responsibility as members of His family?
- c) Why does God expect us as His children to care for our bodies and to care for our environment? 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, Psalm 24:1
- d) What appeal does Jesus make to us as members of God's family? Matthew 5:13-16
- e) Share a time when you were impressed with your responsibility as part of God's family.

