Family Talk – Evangelism

READ TOGETHER

Acts 8:4-25

- 1. Why did Simon want to follow God?
- 2. Why did Peter respond to Simon in such a strong way?

LIVE IT

Why do I go to God? This is an important question to ask yourself. There are good reasons and bad reasons. A bad reason is going to God because you want something from Him. God, give me wealth/peace/success/etc. and I'll follow You. But God doesn't just want followers—God wants people who love Him and are willing to give up anything to follow Him.

Simon saw the miracles God performed through the apostles and how people were following them. Simon said he believed and was baptized, but he didn't love God. He wanted power and popularity.

When we come to know Jesus as our Lord and Savior, we accept that He saved us from our sins, AND we're trusting that God's way of living life is the best. It isn't one of those facts—it's both. The more we live our lives God's way, the more sense it makes, and the deeper our love and appreciation for God will grow.

Spiritual Practice

If God asked you to share your story of faith with someone, what would you share? Write the story of how your relationship with God began. Share this with a friend.

LEAN ON GOD

Dear God,

Help us to know and love You. Help us choose Your way of living over our own. You saved us from our sins, and You know what's best for us, so grow our trust for You so we can share that trust with others.

Amen.

