## MAKE THE BIBLE COME ALIVE

Teaching your kids to store God's Word in their minds and hearts is a lifelong gift. Start Scripture memorization habits early! Work on memorizing Bible verses together as a family.

Post them on the walls, quiz each other at the dinner table, play memory verse games—all for the indescribable life gift of hiding God's Word deep in your hearts.

- Write each word of the verse on a separate paper plate. Place the plates on the floor and take turns using them as stepping stones, saying the word on each plate out loud as you land on it. Say the words loudly, try again saying the words very softly, again saying the words slowly, and again as a silly song.
- Write the memory verse, broken down by phrases, on a large piece of paper and put it on the wall so everyone can see it. Put a balloon or beach ball in the center of a blanket or tablecloth. With the whole family around the blanket, toss the balloon or ball into the air while taking turns saying a phrase of the verse until the verse is completed.
- Write each word of the verse on a separate paper plate. Say the verse together at least three times. Move the plates around so the words are out of order and let each family member try to put them back in the right order. Variation: Make two sets and turn this into a race for mom and dad or older children!
- Break down the verse into phrases. Write each phrase on separate pieces of paper and post on the kitchen wall. Say the verse together at least three times. Then begin removing phrases, one at a time, until you can say the complete verse without help.
  - Choose one or more of the memory verse activities from Weeks 1-4 and have fun learning God's Word! Quiz each other and offer prizes to those who have learned all five verses! Keep up the practice and fun of memorizing Bible verses together as a family.