

ONE CONVERSATION™

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: Accomplishments, relationships, and possessions can make us feel happy for a while, but those things can't ultimately satisfy us. However, the life Jesus offers us goes beyond a transient good feeling; the life He offers promises—and delivers—an abundant life that never ends.

**BIBLE
STUDIES
FOR LIFE**

1 JOHN 5:6-13

God's Promise of Eternal Life

PRESCHOOL



1 SAMUEL 14:49; 18:1-4; 20

LIVE IT OUT: Name some friends your child has. These could be children he knows or adult friends like teachers at church. Comment that these friends love your child and they love Jesus.

King Saul had several children. One of his sons was named Jonathan.

David went to speak with King Saul. Saul had David stay and live at the palace instead of returning home. David and Jonathan became best friends. The men promised to always be friends.

Later, King Saul became angry with David and wanted to hurt him. David told Jonathan about his father. Jonathan promised to help David.

Jonathan knew that David would have to leave to be safe. Jonathan went to the field and talked with David. The friends said good-bye to each other. Both men remembered their promise to help one another.

KIDS



1 SAMUEL 14:49; 18:1-4; 20

LIVE IT OUT: Help your child make a list of friends. Include friends from school, church, and the neighborhood. Explain that the best way to love a person is to tell him about Jesus. Challenge him to share that message with those friends.

Jonathan and David were best

friends. One day Jonathan gave his friend a robe, a sword, a bow, a belt, and a tunic.

Jonathan's father, King Saul, became jealous and wanted to kill David.

Jonathan promised to find out what King Saul planned to do. David would hide in a field. Jonathan would signal with arrows. Jonathan shot an arrow. He called to his servant, "The arrow is beyond you!"

That was the signal that David was not safe. The two men promised to stay friends. They promised to care for each other and for each other's families.

STUDENTS



1 JOHN 5:6-13

THE POINT: You were created for eternal life in Christ.

- Why is it sometimes hard for people to believe that faith in Jesus is enough for salvation?
- What does 1 John 5:6-13 teach us about Jesus?

Discuss the following quote: "God destines us for an end beyond the grasp of reason."¹ —Thomas Aquinas

1. Thomas Aquinas, "Quotes About Heaven," *Christian Quotes* [online], [accessed 16 March 2015]. Available from the Internet: www.christianquotes.info/quotes-by-topic/quotes-about-heaven/#ixzz3Qarw4gyK

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to do one or both Live It Out activities in the Personal Study Guide. Here are some suggested ways to help your student:

*If he or she plans to complete **Eternal Perspective:***

- Create your own lists of the things heaven will offer and be free from.
- Share those lists with your student.

*If he or she plans to complete **Romans Road:***

- Challenge your student to memorize the "Romans Road."
- Place note cards with each verse on it throughout your house as a study help.