

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE | Joshua 7:1,7-8,10-13,18-25

SESSION SUMMARY

This week's session reminds us that nothing, not even our most secret sin, remains hidden from God. Through Achan's story, we also see that God will hold us accountable for our disobedience. These are the main ideas:

- Our disobedience affects others (Josh. 7:1,7-8,10-13).
- We can't hide our sin from God (Josh. 7:18-25).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- When are we each tempted to do what's best for ourselves instead of what's best for our whole family? What does God want us to do instead?
- Why is it important for us to remember that individual sin of each family member affects our whole family?
- What can we do to create an environment where it's safe to come forward and confess our wrongs to each other instead of waiting to get caught or hiding?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Invite each person to think of a few embarrassing moments or pranks they pulled on each other long ago. Go around the room, "confessing" those moments to each other. While confessing embarrassing moments might be difficult at the time they happen, later on, we can usually look back and laugh. Sin is nothing to laugh about, but it's also hard to confess right away. Still, it's important to confess our sin to God, then confess to and seek forgiveness from anyone we've hurt, and confess to someone we trust who can hold us accountable, support us as we seek forgiveness and change, and encourage us to do differently in the future.