# GOD AND FAMILY

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- ⇒ Cumberland Presbyterian
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- ⇒ Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
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- ⇒ Presbyterian Church (USA)
- ⇒ Presbyterian Church in America
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- ⇒ Non-Denominational Christian
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- ⇒ Reformed Church in America
- ⇒ Seventh Day Adventist
- ⇒ United Church of Christ
- ⇒ United Methodist Church
- ⇒ Wesleyan

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# RELIGIOUS EMBLEM ZOOM CLASSES SUNDAY AFTERNOONS THIS FALL

Learn About God and Earn a Cool Medal & Patch

## **Prerequisites:**

- ⇒ Students must be in 4th, 5th, or 6th Grade
- ⇒ Parents must attend all online sessions.
- ⇒ Families must purchase a Student Workbook for each youth. Plan ahead and order in time for our first meeting on <a href="https://www.praypub.org">www.praypub.org</a>.
- ⇒ Students must answer all questions, complete the activity, and complete service projects at home.
- ⇒ Families will be responsible for submitting the youth registration upon completion of the program and purchasing recognitions via the P.R.A.Y. online store.

## Class Schedule: 6pm-6:50pm (central) on Sundays

- ⇒ Session 1: We Are God's Family (October 16th)
- ⇒ Session 2: Family heritage, Spiritual Heritage (October 23rd)
- ⇒ Session 3: Our Talents and Gifts Strengthen Our Family (October 30th)
- ⇒ Session 4: In God's Family We're Loved No Matter What! Because We're Loved, We Follow Rules (November 6th)
- ⇒ Session 5: Being in God's Family Helps Us When Things Are Tough (November 13th)
- ⇒ Session 6: In God's Family, We Share as a Response to God's Love (November 20th)
- ⇒ Session 7: Wrap Up & Review (December 4th)







Please note: The P.R.A.Y. awards are used by Protestant and Independent Christian Churches. These classes will not shortcut the program but will provide instruction and opportunity for interaction to help each child fulfill the requirements and grow stronger in their Christian faith on a virtual platform.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

**How do you register for the class?** Go to the <u>registration page</u> and get a ticket for each student participating. There is no cost to sign up for the class. Just the cost of the materials you order directly from P.R.A.Y. Pub.

**How do you order the class materials?** Go to the link on the front of the flyer. There you should at minimum order the Student Workbook for the class. If a parent is going to be involved, order a Mentor Workbook as well. At the end of the program, you will go back to this website and order whichever recognition items you want to present your child with at that time. There will be an attestation box that you have completed the Pastor review on the website. This is done during the November 13th class.

Do you have to be in the Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of the United States of America, or American Heritage Girls to attend the class or earn the medal? Not at all. P.R.A.Y. programs are open to anyone at that age level. You can be registered in a different youth development program, or no program at all. So invite your siblings and neighbors.

What type of adult leadership is involved? We also ask that each family has one parent present during each class session. That way you can help your participant during sessions, and participate as a family on projects between sessions. Our Counselor will lead each class session.

Can our family participate together? We encourage it! Be active with your student.

Are there programs for other ages being offered? There are other sessions happening for each of the five program levels with P.R.A.Y. Pub. Jesus & Me (K-1), God & Me (2-3), God & Family (4-6), God & Church (6-8), God & Life (9-12). The Registration Site lists all the classes.

**How are we recognizing the Participants?** Participants are encouraged to be recognized at their home church on Scout Sunday or other appropriate ceremony location.

# **Session Descriptions**

#### Session 1: We Are God's Family (October 16th 6pm-6:50pm central)

Every pizza needs a crust or foundation. Families need foundations, too. Students will read passages from Deuteronomy and Matthew to learn how families need to build their foundations on God and on God's love.

### Session 2: Family Heritage, Spiritual Heritage (October 23rd 6pm-6:50pm central)

Every pizza has sauce (which has simmered over time). Like the sauce, a family's heritage grows over time. A family's heritage, especially its Christian heritage, is an important part of its identity. Students will learn about Ruth (how she came to faith through marriage) and Jesus (how he was brought up in the faith from infancy on) and realize that even though our faith journeys may differ, our faith in Christ is the same.

#### Session 3: Our Talents and Gifts Strengthen Our Families (October 30th 6pm-6:50pm central)

The toppings on a pizza make each pizza unique. Like the toppings, the individual members of a family bring unique gifts and talents that strengthen and make their family special. Students will read about Moses and Aaron, two brothers with very different gifts, and Timothy, a young man with the gift of faith. Students will be challenged to name their own gifts and the special gifts in each member of their family.

# Session 4: In God's Family We're Loved No Matter What! Because We're Loved, We Follow Rules (November 6th 6pm-6:50pm central)

The cheese on a pizza covers everything and holds it together. Families need to be held together, too. Christian rules and guidelines can help families relate to each other and live together as God's family. Students will study Jesus lost in the temple and the parable of the prodigal son and discuss WHY we need rules. They will then be required to memorize the Ten Commandments.

#### Session 5: Being in God's Family Helps Us When Things Are Tough (November 13th 6pm-6:50pm central)

When pizza comes out of a hot oven, it's better than ever! Families can be like pizza: by relying on God, families can come through the heat of tough times and be even stronger. Students will study Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace, and Paul and Silas in prison, and be challenged to name the "faith tools" that can help their families in tough times.

#### Session 6: In God's Family, We Share as a Response to God's Love (November 20th 6pm-6:50pm central)

Pizza tastes good: it nourishes our bodies and satisfies our hunger. Pizza is fun to share: everybody loves a pizza party. Families are like pizza: they need to provide spiritual nourishment for family members, and they need to share the good news of Jesus Christ with those around them. Students will read about the feeding of the five thousand and the Great Commission to learn the importance of sharing God's love with other people.

#### Session 7: Wrap Up & Review (December 4th 6pm-6:50pm)