

at Home With God

Series 2 Workbook

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to At Home with God series 2.

This workbook is designed to accompany series 2 of At Home with God TV series. The series is being shown live for ten weeks, every Wednesday at 8pm starting on Wednesday 8th January. Each episode will then be repeated on the following days:

Fridays at 10:05am Saturdays at 11:00am Tuesday at 5.30pm (All times are UK based.)

Available TBNUK on Channel 65 (Freeview) and TBNUK on Channel 582 (Sky). It can also be watched live online at the TBN UK website.

Shows will also be available on demand on the tbnuk.org, the week after it first airs.

What's in the workbook?

The workbook is made up of ten sessions, running alongside series 2 of At Home with God:

1. Keeping God at the centre of your family
2. Children and the prophetic
3. Helping our children develop discernment
4. Faith and your child's school
5. Creative ways to teach the Word
6. Facing the character issue
7. The faith journey
8. Preparing children for their calling
9. Leaning on the wider church community
10. Navigating the digital world.

Each session is made up of three parts taught using three different mediums:

1. Notes

In this workbook, there is space for you to make your notes on the teaching as you work through the programs on the TV. Each session lasts for around 30 minutes.

2. Points to Ponder

These discussion questions are designed to help you reflect on the teaching and how it applies in your family. You can discuss these as a group, in pairs or use the space for personal reflection if you are going through this workbook on your own. Depending on the group the discussions will take up to 30 minutes, so you should set aside one hour together for each session.

3. Practical

After each session's teaching, there is a page for you to try some of the principles in your own family.

Why not pair up with another family so that you can reflect together on each other's practical performance. As such we have left space each week for you to comment and encourage each other in your family

How can we use this workbook?

This workbook is designed to be very flexible to fit around the unique circumstances in your church/home.

Here are some suggestions of how you may choose to use it:

- a. Work through the course with a group of other parents doing one session a week or one session a month together.
- b. Run the course over five evenings, covering two sessions each evening. If you work through them in order you will find each evening has a practical and a spiritual session.
- c. Work through the course as an individual or in pairs. For the discussions section, you can reflect privately on the questions given and for the practical parts work alongside your partner or speak to a close family member who you are able to talk through your progress as you try to bring God even more central into your home.

Once the series is over this workbook should prove a valuable resource, together with the comments in the practical session to enable you to continue to develop as a parent.

Being a parent is a great privilege. My prayer is that as you make the small adjustments that need to be made within your family to see God more central in your home, you will start to see a change in your children's walk as well as your own walk with God. Do not be discouraged if miracles don't happen overnight but keep praying and persevering and I know that God will bless your family.

I pray that you will enjoy the course and be enriched by it.

God bless you,

Helen Goldenberg

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NOTES

At what point should we ask the church community to step in and help with our family?

How do we get over the feeling of being a drain on the community?

What can we expect from the local church and how can we develop open communication with our church communities?

How do we get passed past hurts and move forward to engage with the church community?

What can we do if our children do not want to be a part of the church community?



POINTS TO PONDER

How can you bring the church community into your home?

Do you feel you can communicate any issues you may be going through with your church community? If not why not, and how can this change?

How can you as a family sow into the life of your church community?

Read and discuss the following:

John 13:35 Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

What should you do if we have been hurt by our church community?

**PRACTICAL: HOME FOCUS**

God made us for community, he started by saying it is not good for man to be alone and it says in **Psalm 68:6** *'God places the lonely in families'*. The church is Gods family and He wants you to be part of it. This may not always be easy but it is important. So how can you be part of the church community?

Here are a few ideas you can do within your family:

1. If you feel comfortable make your home a house where people can come, a safe place of prayer and love.
2. If you do have issues with your church community find a way to lovingly talk about it with your leadership so it doesn't become a thorn in your side.
3. Attend a small group to get to know church members in a smaller setting whilst feeding on God's word together.
4. Offer to be on a team to help with the running of church on the weekend or during the week.
5. Encourage your children to part of all the youth or children's events put on by your church.
6. Hang around for a few minutes more after church, even if it feels awkward to begin with.

No community is perfect, but what can you do this week to strengthen the church community, either in your home or on Sunday.

FURTHER RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Find links to all the resources mentioned in series 2 on our website: www.ahwg.co.uk

Other resources that may be of interest to you:

Available through Christian retailers and www.childrencan.co.uk/shop

1. At Home with God – A parents guide to raising spiritual giants. The accompanying book for this series.
2. Jesus, Your Baby and You. Don't wait until they are born, encourage parents to being ministering to their babies from the womb.
3. God's Generals for kids – biographies for children.



Olly & Helen Goldenberg have been involved in ministering to families for around 3 decades. At Home with God is a ministry for parents, to equip and encourage them in their role as the primary disciplers of their children.

They previously led one of the largest children's ministries in Europe, before pioneering *Children Can*, a ministry which has taken them around the world. Their ministry includes parent training (including expectant parents), pastor's conferences, and ministry to children and youth. They produce many resources to equip the next generation of church to take their place.

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