



TODAY'S TOPIC:

Home

You are welcome to use this lesson to inspire spiritual conversation in your family or youth classroom. It is written for elementary age but could be adjusted as needed.

THINKING JOB: Ask a "thinking job question" to get everyone thinking about something pertinent to the lesson. This could be asked moments or hours before your conversation.

What makes a place feel like home?

Lesson

| Materials | Things to Prepare | Today's Goal |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> n/a | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> n/a | Know that "home" is a feeling you can take with you wherever you go. |

ASK: Where are some places that people might live? A house, an apartment, a tent, a camper, a hotel, a cave, etc. All through history people have lived in lots of different types of places AND people have discovered ways to make that place feel like home.

ASK: What words do you think of when I say "home"?

Some ideas about what makes where you live feel like home? Some people may know the Wizard of Oz quote, "there's no place like home". What makes home special?

- Safe
- Comfortable
- Place to rest
- Place to celebrate
- Relax
- Be with family and friends
- Place to keep your most special things
- Special connection like home team, home town, feel "at home"

ASK: Has anyone ever heard that “home is where the heart is”? What do you think that means? I think it means that sometimes we get to or have to move to a new home. Sometimes we may stay somewhere for a little while before we move somewhere else. Sometimes our family is with us and sometimes not. But your heart always goes with you no matter where you are. And who lives in your heart? GOD! So God is with you no matter where you are. God makes anywhere feel like home. God brings feelings of safety, comfort, celebration, connection and peace.

AFFIRMATION –Home is where God is. repeat 4X

Note: Printable affirmations and coloring sheets for this lesson are available at <https://www.milehichurch.org/youth-family/> .