

52 Weeks of Family Devotions are rooted in these Christian beliefs, grounded in Biblical truth:

The Bible: The Bible is the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God, serving as the ultimate source of truth for Christian beliefs and daily living. It is God's Word to us today. Human authors wrote it under the divine guidance of the Holy Spirit.

2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:20-21

God: God is the Ruler and Creator of all things. There is one God, who eternally exists in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, named as the Trinity. Although each member of the Trinity serves a different purpose, they each possess equal power and authority as one God.

Genesis 1:1, 26, Romans 11:33-36

Jesus: Jesus Christ is both fully human and fully God. He is the Son of God, born of a virgin according to God's plan. He is the only way to bring people who are far from God back into a right relationship with Him. Jesus lived a sinless life and offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of all people by dying on the cross. He rose from the dead on the third day to demonstrate His victory and power over sin and death. He ascended into Heaven and will return someday to claim His own and take them with Him to Heaven, where He is preparing a place for all believers and where He will reign forever.

John 1:1, 14, Hebrews 4:14-15, Romans 1:3-4

The Holy Spirit: The Holy Spirit was sent into the world by the Father and the Son to apply to mankind the saving work of Christ and make mankind aware of their need for Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit is the way God is with us today.

John 14:16-17

Man: Man was created in the image of God to reflect His character. Sin, which is disobedience to God, brought both physical and spiritual death into the world, causing mankind to be separated from God and in need of a Savior.

Genesis 1:26-27, Romans 3:23

Salvation: The Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins and rose victoriously from the grave; all who accept His gift of salvation by faith alone will be saved. A person is saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ as God's gift, and there is nothing you can do to save yourself or earn your salvation. Through Christ alone, in faith alone, by grace alone is a person saved.

John 3:16, Ephesians 2:8-10, Romans 3:23

Jesus' Return: There will be a sudden and literal return of our Lord Jesus Christ, and a judgment day at which time every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Acts 1:11, Hebrews 9:27-29, Philippians 2:10

Eternity: Man was created to exist forever. He will exist either eternally separated from God by sin or in union with God through forgiveness and salvation. To be eternally separated from God is Hell. To be eternally in union with Him is Heaven. Heaven and Hell are real places of eternal existence.

John 5:28-29, Revelation 20:15