

7 Tips for Family Worship at Home



- 1** Talk with your family in advance about why our church is streaming, what they can expect as they watch, and what you will do after the service as a family.
- 2** Set the environment for where your family will all gather in one place. Prepare your streaming device by logging in to bellevuelive.org or Bellevue's Facebook page. Set up comfortable seating where everyone can see the screen. Streaming begins at 10:00 a.m.
- 3** About 10 minutes prior to the start, encourage all family members to use the restroom, gather their Bibles, notes sheets (sermon notes can be downloaded from bellevuelive.org), pens or pencils, and favorite refreshment (like you would if you were watching a movie).
- 4** Provide younger children with a note page and pen or pencil. On the page write the words: Heaven, Spirit, Throne, God, Jesus, Lamb, and Worship. Then instruct the kids to make a hash mark beside each word each time Bro. Steve says the word. This is to engage them in active listening.
- 5** Put away all distractions such as mobile phones and other electronic devices not being used for the live stream.
- 6** As the streaming begins, gather in one place as a family. Be understanding of your child's attention span and allow him/her to stand up and move around as needed.
- 7** Parents, you have been called to be the primary disciple makers in your kid's lives (Deuteronomy 6). A great way for you to "Make Disciples" is to use the questions below in red for a family discussion once the live stream is over.



A Family Discussion Guide

The Throne Room of God

Revelation 4:1-5:14

1. God sovereignly rules from His throne room. Rev. 4:1-3

“After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven, and the first voice which I had heard, like the sound of a trumpet speaking with me, said, ‘Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after these things.’ Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne was standing in heaven, and One sitting on the throne. And He who was sitting was like a jasper stone and a sardius in appearance; and there was a rainbow around the throne, like an emerald in appearance.”

The Lord allowed John, through a vision, to hear a voice inviting him to come and see what was going on in Heaven.

How would hearing and seeing something help you know that it is real? (You would be a witness).

What is something that you believe happened simply because someone told you about it, even though you didn't see it? (Maybe something happening in your family who lives out of state)

After reading these verses, why do you believe Heaven is real? (Because John heard and saw it)

According to these verses, who is seated on the throne ruling from Heaven? (God the Father)

2. Believers sacredly worship in God's throne room. Rev. 4:4-11

“Around the throne were twenty-four thrones; and upon the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, clothed in white garments, and golden crowns on their heads. Out from the throne come flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God; and before the throne there was something like a sea of glass, like crystal; and in the center and around the throne, four living creatures full of eyes in front and behind. The first creature was like a lion, and the second creature like a calf, and the third creature had a face like that of a man, and the fourth creature was like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each one of them having six wings, are full of eyes around and within; and day and night they do not cease to say, ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God, the Almighty, who was and who is and who is to come.’ And when the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, to Him who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders will fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and will worship Him who lives forever and ever, and will cast their crowns before the throne, saying, ‘Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.’”

*If you are at a football game, what can you do to cheer on the team?
(You can shout, stand up, wave your arms, sing the fight song, do the wave).*

*What do verses 8–11 tell us that the living creatures and 24 elders are doing to worship God?
(They are worshiping God with their voice (verse 8), and they fall down before God and say, “Worthy are You, our Lord and our God...” (verses 10–11)).*

*What are ways we can worship God today?
(Sing; praise God; give God glory, honor, and thanks (verse 9); be the church)*

*Why is it important to practice worshiping God now?
(Because we will worship God in Heaven for all of eternity)*

3. Jesus savingly mediates in God's throne room. Rev. 5:1-14

*"I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a book written inside and on the back, sealed up with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the book and to break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the book or to look into it. Then I began to weep greatly because no one was found worthy to open the book or to look into it; and one of the elders said to me, 'Stop weeping; behold, the Lion that is from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome so as to open the book and its seven seals.' And I saw between the throne (with the four living creatures) and the elders a Lamb standing, as if slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God, sent out into all the earth. And He came and took the book out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. When He had taken the book, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each one holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they *sang a new song, saying, 'Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. 'You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth.' Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing.' And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying, 'To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever.' And the four living creatures kept saying, 'Amen.' And the elders fell down and worshiped."*

*Go around the room and share something that only you do in your family?
(Dad might say, "Provide income." Mom might say, "Homeschool the kids."
Kids might say, "Go to my classes at school.")*

*What does verse five say that the Lamb, Jesus, could do that no one else could?
(Open the book and the seven seals)*

*What can Jesus do for us today that no one else can?
(Save us, forgive us, provide a way for us to go to Heaven,
intercede for us at the Father's right hand)*

GREAT JOB PARENTS!

Today you led your family in worship at home!
You have modeled for your child(ren)
how important your faith is to your family.

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for family friendly, biblically based content
you can stream throughout the week.

