

FAMILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

September 25, 2022

This week's Family Devotional Guide is based on our Scripture reading from Sunday, Hebrews 12:18-29.

Day 1

- **Scripture:** Hebrews 12:18-24; Exodus 19-20
- **Discussion:** In this passage on worship from Hebrews 12, the author compares and contrasts Mount Sinai and Mount Zion, the place where the law is received and the place that symbolizes “the heavenly Jerusalem.” What is the significance of Moses coming up to receive the law on Mt. Sinai to Jesus, by whose shed blood we can be citizens of a heavenly kingdom? Discuss why Jesus is the “mediator of the new covenant” and what that signifies.
- **Song:** “Nothing But the Blood” by Matt Redman

Day 2

- **Scripture:** Hebrews 12:25-27; Haggai 2:6-7
- **Discussion:** What is the warning contained in Hebrews 12:25-27? The author is comparing Old Testament warnings with the warnings that apply to our own day and time (in other words, there is a judgment coming one day). What does this comparison tell us about the seriousness of coming judgment? What is our hope as Christians?
- **Song:** “The Lion and the Lamb” by Brenton Brown, Brian Johnson, and Leeland Mooring

Day 3

- **Scripture:** Hebrews 12:28-29
- **Discussion:** The final two verses of Hebrews 12 begin with “therefore.” This “therefore” marks a turning point and gives the implications of the ideas from the previous verse. Essentially, in light of being part of a heavenly kingdom with the knowledge that God will one day judge everyone, the author concludes that we should be grateful and worship reverently (“let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe”). Discuss what it means to be grateful for Christ’s kingdom and what reverential worship is. How can we best gauge whether we are thankful and reverent?
- **Song:** “Jesus, Thank You” by Pat Sczebel