

FALL FAMILY DEVO

READ:

GALATIANS 6:7-9

SAY:

DID YOU KNOW WE ARE ALL A LOT LIKE GARDENERS IN THE FALL HARVEST SEASON? OUR LIVES ARE LIKE A COZY PUMPKIN PATCH FILLED WITH PUMPKINS IN ALL SHAPES, COLORS AND SIZES. EACH ACTION WE TAKE AND WORD WE CHOOSE TO SAY IS A TINY SEED THAT WE PLANT. JUST LIKE IN THE FALL, WE GATHER HEAPS OF PUMPKINS, APPLES, AND OTHER FALL GOODIES, WE GATHER RESULTS FROM THE ACTIONS WE HAVE DONE AND THE WORDS WE HAVE SPOKEN—THE SEEDS WE SOWED! GALATIANS 6:7-9 TELLS HOW THE HARVEST WORKS IN OUR LIVES. THE CROPS WE HARVEST MATCH THE SEEDS WE PLANT. IF WE SOW GOOD SEEDS WITH OUR WORDS AND ACTIONS, OUR HARVEST WILL BE FILLED WITH LOVE, KINDNESS, AND JOY! REMEMBER, EVERY GOOD DEED IS A GOOD “SEED”.

PLANT THEM, BE PATIENT, AND SOON, YOUR GARDEN WILL BURST WITH A COLORFUL FALL HARVEST! AS THE FALL LEAVES SWIRL AROUND, REMEMBER TO PLANT GOOD SEEDS AND WAIT FOR YOUR FALL HARVEST.

PRAY:

LORD, HELP US TO MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICES AND CHOOSE KIND WORDS SO WE CAN PLANT GOOD ‘SEEDS’ IN THE LIVES OF THOSE AROUND US. GIVE US PATIENCE TO WAIT FOR THE HARVEST YOU HAVE FOR US. AMEN.

TALK ABOUT IT:

1. WHAT KIND OF ‘SEEDS’ DOES GOD WANT US TO BE PLANTING? REMEMBER, ‘SEEDS’ ARE THE WORDS AND ACTIONS WE CHOOSE.
2. CAN YOU SHARE A TIME WHEN YOU PLANTED A ‘GOOD DEED SEED,’ AND DESCRIBE THE HARVEST IT BROUGHT?
3. WHAT IS AN EXAMPLE OF A BAD OR ROTTEN ‘SEED’ YOU HAVE PLANTED? HOW DID THE HARVEST TURN OUT, AND WHAT WOULD YOU DO DIFFERENTLY NEXT TIME?

PLAY A GAME

PLANT AND HARVEST:

1. PLACE A SMALL PUMPKIN IN THE CENTER OF THE ROOM. HAVE EVERYONE STAND IN A CIRCLE THE SAME DISTANCE FROM THE PUMPKIN.
2. ONE ADULT WILL WALK AROUND THE CIRCLE SAYING “PLANT” WHILE TAPPING EACH PERSON. WHEN THEY SAY “HARVEST” EVERYONE WILL RACE TO GRAB THE PUMPKIN FIRST.
3. THE FIRST PERSON TO “HARVEST” THE PUMPKIN WILL LEAD THE NEXT ROUND.