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TABLE TALK

Blessed Be the Name of the Lord

Prepare:

As one person lights a candle, the family reads together (adapted from Psalm 118:26-27):

- C: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
- R: We bless you from the house of the Lord.
- C: The Lord is God,
- R: And he has made his light to shine upon us.

Read: Luke 13:31-35 (ESV)

31 At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." 32 And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. 33 Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' 34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! 35 Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

Reflect:

Those in Jerusalem who did not see their broken relationship with God rejected Jesus as they did the prophets. The depth of our brokenness is seen when we recognize who Jesus is and what he came to do.

Take a moment to talk about what this passage (Luke 13:31-35) means for you as a family. Now share with one another one thing you can do differently as a member of your family.

Praying:

The head of the household prays:

Dear God Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for your blessed Son who comes in your name to gather us as your children into your house. In Jesus's name, amen.