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TABLE TALK

In the name of Jesus

Prepare:

As one person lights a candle, the family prays together the Lord's Prayer:

C: Our Father...

Read: John 16:23-33 (ESV)

23 In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. 24 Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

25 "I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. 26 In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; 27 for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. 28 I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

29 His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! 30 Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." 31 Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? 32 Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. 33 I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Reflect:

Jesus promises the disciples that a day is coming when they can pray directly to the Father in his name and the Father will hear them. We live in that day.

Take a moment to talk about what this passage (John 16:23-33) 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:

Our Father in Heaven, we come to you in Jesus's name. We give you thanks for hearing our prayers and providing us with all that we need. Amen.