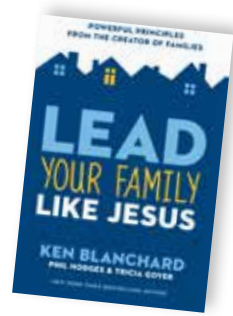


# Family Activities



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## Activity One: **Forever or Not Scavenger Hunt**

To teach your kids about eternal things, create a scavenger hunt for your kids using page 2.

## Activity Two: **Family Recital**

Between dinner and dessert on a special day like Christmas or Easter, have your family and friends share a special talent. They can sing a song, recite a poem or tell about something important in their lives. This not only delights all those who are gathered, it makes the day memorable and meaningful.

## Activity Three: **Create a Family Label**

One of the best ways to determine your family's values and priorities is through this fun family activity. Take some food items from your refrigerator or pantry and read the labels together. Some of the words that describe your favorite foods might be "bold," "organic," "flavorful," "healthy," or "classic." Explain how the words on the label represent what's inside.

Next, use the label on page 3 to create your family label. Discuss your core values—what is important to you. Compare how your family is different from others you know. Then ask, "Do the activities we choose fit and reflect our family's label?" If they do, write them on your label. If they don't, discuss what you need to change in—or omit from—your life in order to better represent your label.

Then, consider what new ministry or service would reinforce and strengthen your label. Write a list of action steps that would lead you to doing such things. As you make plans, your family will get a glimpse of who God designed you—as a unit—to be. Seek God daily as you strive to live according to His design.

## Activity Four: **Thumbs-Up, Thumbs-Down**

Help your children understand the difference between behaviors that do and don't reflect your values and priorities by playing a simple game around the dinner table. It's called the Thumbs-Up/Thumbs-Down Game. Each person gets a turn to name a behavior; everyone else gives that behavior a thumbs-up or thumbs-down.

## Here are some examples of behaviors:

- Pushing your brother
- Taking your sister's things without asking
- Listening to and obeying your parents
- Throwing food on the floor
- Offering to help without being asked
- Yelling in the house
- Calling each other names
- Offering to share your special treat
- Whining
- Picking up someone else's toys and putting them away

Playing this game gives you a chance to bring up small offenses without a lecture. Kids will quickly catch on to what is acceptable and what isn't.

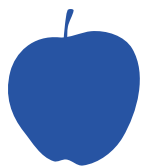


Activity One:  
**Forever or Not Scavenger Hunt**

From the book, *Lead Your Family Like Jesus*, we learn to have an eternal perspective. To teach this concept to your kids, create a scavenger hunt for them and have them find the items listed below in the house. Then circle things that are forever important and cross out the things that are just temporary stuff. The point of this exercise is to remember that what's really Important Forever is who you love and who loves you. We've created a list—with pictures for your little ones—to get you started.



TV



Food



Dog



Sister



Brother



Toy



Mom



Dad



House



Video Games



Friends



Phone



Car

Activity Three:  
**Create a Family Label**

**Your Family Mission Statement:**

**Your Family Ingredients:**

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**Your Family Mission Statement:**

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