

Family Project: Noticing the Wonders of God

Jonathan Edwards was very good at noticing the wonders of God and God's world. Everything from admiring spiders to taking detailed notes in his diary about the things that he read and heard allowed him to know God better and appreciate him more. Do you often take the time to notice the wonders of God in your life? Let's spend the next few days slowing down and paying attention to who God is, what he has made, and what he is up to.

Day 1: Making Your Journal

You can make a journal by grabbing a notebook or stapling a few pieces of paper together. Once you have created your journal, label each of the first four pages with the following:

- Notes on God's wonder in others
- Notes on God's wonder in creation
- Notes on God's wonder from His word
- Notes on God's wonder from something I read or heard

Pray to ask God's help to notice these wonders in the days ahead.

Day 2: Notes on God's Wonder in Others

On the first page of your journal, try to write down at least five things you notice about other people in your life that show you God is good.

When you have written five things down, take time to pray and thank God for them.

You might also like to tell the people you wrote about how they reminded you of God today.

They will be encouraged by that!

Day 3: Notes on God's Wonder in Creation

On the next page in your journal, try to write down at least five things you notice in creation about God's goodness and creativity. If you feel stuck, pay attention to the weather, animals, and plants, and even to the things around you in your own home.

When you have written five things down, take time to pray and thank God for them.



Day 4: Notes on God's Wonder from His Word

On the next page in your journal, write down five things that you noticed in God's word.

To notice them, you might think about Bible stories you love or have heard recently. You might recall memory verses that you have committed to heart. You might even ask other people about what God is teaching them through the Bible right now.

When you have written five things down, take time to pray and thank God for them.

Day 5: Notes on God's Wonder from Something I Read or Heard

On the next page of your journal, write down five things that reminded you of God when you read them or heard them. You might think about:

- Stories you have listened to
- Books you've read recently
- Songs you have been listening to or singing
- A lesson from school or church
- Conversations you have had with other people

Like always, when you have written five things down, take time to pray and thank God for them.

Feel free to add more categories or notes to your journal! Keep paying attention to the wonders of God, they will help you to be joyful and grateful—and to know God more!