Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Philemon 8-22

SESSION SUMMARY

In this week's session, we'll see how sin separates us from God, but He sent Jesus to be the reconciler, or someone who brings us back into right relationship with Him. Here are the key takeaways:

- Reconciliation is born out of love (Philemon 8-14).
- Reconciliation is achieved through Christ (Philemon 15-17; 2 Corinthians 5:18-19).
- Reconciliation is realized by God's grace (Philemon 18-22).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- Why can it sometimes be hard to forgive each other in our family? What about outside our family?
- When can it be tempting for us to give into gossip and bitterness rather than pursue reconciliation?
- How has God shown members of our family grace? How can this help us show grace to others?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Reconciliation is hard, whether you're the one who hurt someone else or another person hurt you. But God calls us to do lots of things that would be impossible without Him. Take some time to pray together, asking God to show you who you need to reconcile with. Then, give each person a piece of paper and writing utensil. Though it can feel impossible to get the words right, before you go to someone to try for reconciliation, consider writing out what you want to say in a letter. If you aren't able to meet or send the letter, then the letter is between you and God, allowing you to still forgive.