



# Gospel Light®

HOME DISCUSSION GUIDE  
for Elementary

SPRING A  
Lesson 9

## Surprise!

*I call on you, O God, for you will answer me;  
give ear to me and hear my prayer.*

Psalm 17:6

We keep a family prayer journal, writing down things our family is praying for and then noting how the situations progress and what answers we receive. This teaches my kids several things: We may wait a long time until we see answers; the answers may not be what we expected or asked for; and we often see good things coming out of what we thought were the worst situations. I remind my kids that God is not limited to time. He knows and sees so much more than we do and has a big plan for us all. He's working every minute! Our prayer journal stays on the kitchen table and I catch the kids looking at it from time to time—it builds their confidence in God's love and help!

### Try This:

I ask my kids questions sometimes that they already know the answers to. It's a way to refresh their memories so they can apply what they know to their current situation. About prayer, I might ask: Does God always hear you when you pray? Does God always answer? Can we talk to God about anything? Is God willing to help you? **Does God give you absolutely everything you ask for? Does God love you? Does God know more than we do?**