Christ-Centered Parenting | 1 John 1:8-2:2

Ohana Group Discussion Questions: Week of March 3rd, 2023

OVERVIEW

If we confess our sins before our Jesus with a humble and contrite heart, Jesus forgives our sin and purifies us from all unrighteousness!

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: Do you ever recall getting caught with your "hand in the cookie jar" as a child? As an adult? What happened? Or Are you a morning person or a night owl?

Activity: Memorize 1 John 1:9 together.

PRAYER

Pray as a group: Give thanks to Jesus our Advocate, who gives us the forgiveness of sin and eternal life.

BIBLE: READ 1 JOHN 1:8-2:2

- 1. Why would someone think that they have no sin or that their sin is not serious?
- 2. Do you have sin? Is your sin serious?
- 3. What promise is found in 1 John 1:9? Why is God's faithfulness and justness highlighted?
- 4. What amazing thing happens when we come before the throne of grace with a contrite heart and confess our sins?
- 5. In 2:1, what does it mean that Jesus is our "advocate?"
- 6. Is confession of sin something we do when we first come to faith in Jesus, or an on-going practice of a Christian's life?
- 7. How does confession and repentance work hand-in-hand?
- 8. How is confession both "private" and "corporate?"
- 9. How have you seen confession modeled in others?

APPLICATION

- 1. Confession and repentance (admitting fault/sin and turning away from sin) is essential to our faith. What role does repentance have in your relationship with God?
 - a. Confession: Confession of sin is the admission of what we did and the agreement with God that our actions or words were wrong. Pray..."I'm a sinner, and I'm sorry"
 - b. Repentance: Repentance involves a desire to change course. We not only acknowledge our sin but take steps to overcome and forsake it. Pray..."I forsake my sin and commit to walking in obedience to Christ."