

BLESSING FOR A NEW BIBLE

Prepare

Put Bible, a candle, and a highlighter on the table.

Gather

Bring all family members and guests together around the table.

Begin

Light the candle and say, "We are here to celebrate and bless this new Bible and those who will use it. Let's begin our celebration in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Read

Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9 in your new Bible. Highlight the passage. In this text, Moses is telling the people of Israel to never forget the great actions God has done in saving them from their enemies. The Bible is filled with stories that show us God's love and that teach us how to live, especially the stories of Jesus, God's Son. That is why we read the Bible and tell the stories.

Share

Ask **everyone** to share:

- Share a story about their experiences with the Bible as a child. (It's okay to say that you had no experiences with the Bible. Talk about that!)
- Talk about a Bible story or verse that you know by heart.

Read

Psalm 119:105 says:

God's word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

Blessing

Stand and hold the Bible together. Say:

May we together discover the love of God as we read your Word in the stories of the Bible. Amen.

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