



MEALS @HOME

DINNER AND A MOVIE

Gather your family around the table to discuss a biblical truth while enjoying a movie and a meal.

Best Use

As a family activity with any age children

Nutritional Value

Good conversation around the movie of your choice

Advance Preparation

- Pack a picnic dinner or order some of your family's favorite food.
- Rent a movie or choose a family favorite to watch together.
- Make tickets for the movie or have the kids make their own tickets to "sell." (Let them have fun deciding the cost, such as 3 hugs and one kiss.)
- Set up an area to eat and watch the movie together with pillows, drinks, food, popcorn, etc.

Serve It Up

- **SAY:** "We're going to have a special night at the movie, only a little different."
- **OPTIONAL:** Kids can make drive-in cars out of large boxes.

- **DO:** Watch the movie together while you eat dinner.
- **DISCUSS:** After the movie is over, spend some time discussing the following questions:
 - * *Who is the central character? The "hero?"*
 - * *Who or what does the main character want? (Consciously and subconsciously?)*
 - * *Who or what are the obstacles that must be overcome?*
 - * *What was the "ultimate conflict" of the drama?*
 - * *What wrong choices were made?*
 - * *What right choices were made?*
 - * *Can we learn anything from the story?*
- **PRAY:** Thank God for your meal and fun time together as a family. Pray together: "We thank you, Lord, that you have blessed us with our family. Thank you for our time together as a family tonight. Help us grow closer to each other and to you. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen."



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