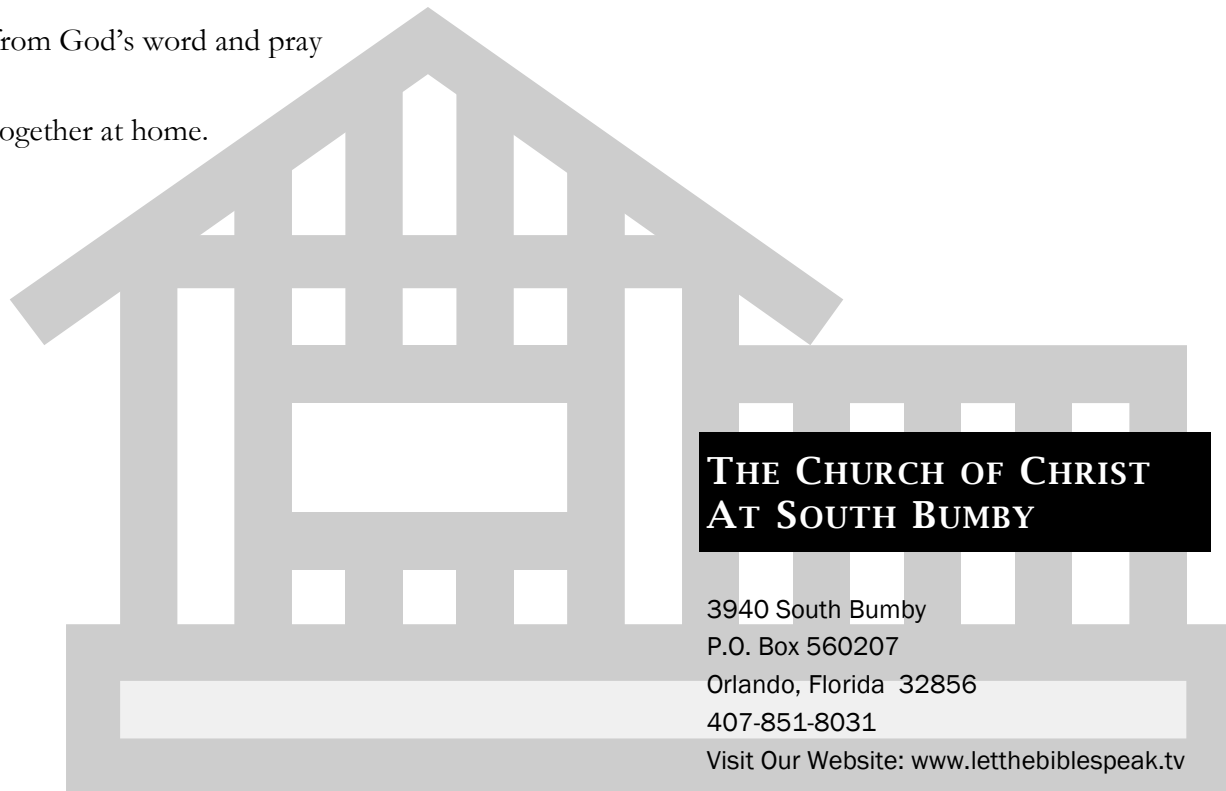


# *About Growing Together @ Home*

Growing Together @ Home is a  
brief guide provided by the South  
Bumby Church to give our families a  
framework they can use as they study  
from God's word and pray  
together at home.



## Other Things To Do This Week:

- [1] Memorize: (Psalm 119:105) "Thy word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path."
- [2] Look for other passages that proclaim the value, beauty, and graciousness of God's word. Make a list of these passages and keep them in a place where you can easily find them, such as on the refrigerator or in your wallet. Make it a point to read these passages once a week.
- [3] Help your children prepare their lessons for Bible class. Let your children help you prepare for Bible Class.

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Those who  
love Your law  
have great  
peace, And  
nothing  
causes them  
to stumble.

Ps. 119:165

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# THE BLESSED AND THE BLIND

## DAY ONE

### STEP #1: THE SEARCH

*The Blessed Man*

Read *Psalms 119:1-8* and describe those who are blessed. Make a list of the different qualities that they possess.

### STEP #2: THE APPLICATION

After each family member has completed the search, sit down and talk over the things you found. Make one big list of the qualities that the “blessed” possess. Then, discuss these questions:

- [1] What kind of importance do the “blessed” place on understanding the word of God?
- [2] Do the “blessed” think that simply knowing what God said is enough, or was more involved? What does this tell us about what it means to truly understand God’s word?
- [3] We live in a “me first” world where man constantly seeks to exalt himself. To whom do the “blessed” give credit for their status in life? What kind of praise do they give to God? *Vs. 129-131.*
- [4] How can we be “blessed” people?

### STEP #3: THE PRAYER

End your session with prayer, thanking God for His word, and asking that He would guide us as we seek to understand more of His will.

## DAY TWO

### STEP #1: THE SEARCH

*The Value Of The Word*

Read *Psalms 119:97-104* and describe the value that the Psalmist places on God’s word.

### STEP #2: THE APPLICATION

Have each member of the family talk about what he/she found in reading the passage. Then, discuss these questions:

- [1] The Psalmist states that one of the main benefits of God’s word is its ability to guide us away from false doctrines. *“From thy precepts I get understanding; Therefore I hate every false way.”* *Vs. 104, NAS.* False doctrines certainly abound today. List two or three popular, false doctrines and show how the word of God can keep us from them.
- [2] If the word of God is so valuable, then it certainly is worthy of our attention and study. How much time and effort should we put into studying God’s word? *Vs. 97.* Is this possible to do in today’s busy world?
- [3] Read *Vs. 9-11.* At what point in our lives should the word of God become valuable?

### STEP #3: THE PRAYER

End your session with prayer, praising God for His valuable word, and asking for wisdom to use His word in our daily lives.

## DAY THREE

### STEP #1: THE SEARCH

*The Blind*

Read *Matthew 13:13-15* and describe the kind of person to whom Jesus refers.

### STEP #2: THE APPLICATION

Have each member of the family talk about what he/she found in reading the passage. Then, discuss these questions:

- [1] Jesus describes a people that had figuratively become deaf and blind. Who was at fault for their lack of hearing and vision?
- [2] Jesus, quoting from Isaiah, summarizes the condition of the people by saying *“The heart of this people has become dull.”* What might lead us to have a dull heart? What steps can we take to avoid this critical condition?
- [3] Now read *Vs. 16.* Who does Jesus say is “blessed”? Is this the same kind of person that we found in *Psalms 119:1-8*? What does this tell us about how we can be “blessed” in the eyes of God, even today?

### STEP #3: THE PRAYER

End your session with prayer, asking God to forgive us for the times we have been deaf and blind, asking for help in understanding His wonderful word, and thanking Him for the opportunity we have to be a “blessed” people.