1. **Dealing with conflict**
   a) Proverbs 19:11, 17:14, 15:1
   b) Matthew 18:15, 7:1–5
   c) Romans 14:19
   d) Hebrews 12:14 (see also Romans 12:18)
   e) What principles can you learn from these texts that can help you deal with conflict in your home?
   f) Think of a Bible story of a family dealing with conflict. What lessons can you learn from their experience? (e.g. Jacob and his sons)
   g) Share a time when you attempted to deal with conflict in your family. How did God help you?

2. **Dealing with anger**
   a) Ecclesiastes 7:9
   b) Psalm 4:4, 37:8 (see also Ephesians 4:26–27) When does anger become sin?
   c) Share a Bible story where someone expressed anger in an appropriate way
   d) Think of a Bible story where someone allowed anger to drive his/her behavior in a damaging way
   e) How does the counsel of James help you when you are experiencing anger? James 1:19–20
   f) Share a time when God helped you deal with your anger in a constructive way

3. **Dealing with abuse**
   a) What types of abuse might a person experience in a family? Colossians 3:19, 21
   b) Why is any form of abuse contrary to God's plan? 1 John 4:7–8
   c) What counsel would you give to an individual who is living in an abusive family?
   d) How have you seen God bring freedom and healing to someone caught in an abusive environment?

4. **Wise counsel for times of trouble**
   a) Psalm 50:15 Share a time when you responded to this invitation of the LORD.
   b) Jeremiah 33:3 (see also James 1:5) Why is it important to seek wisdom and counsel from God in times of trouble?
   c) Colossians 3:13 Forgiveness is not always easy, especially if you have been deeply hurt or wronged. Why is forgiveness so important in times of trouble?
   d) Matthew 7:12 Many have heard this Golden Rule of Jesus. Why is this life principle so helpful when dealing with times of trouble in a family?
   e) How have you seen God help your family through times of trouble?
   f) How can times of trouble in a family become opportunities to grow closer to each other and closer to God?