

Four Keys for Practicing Faith

Caring Conversations:

Discuss the following questions:

- Parents: What are your concerns about getting a first cell phone for this young person? Youth: Why is it important to have a cell phone?
- Talk about what would happen if the phone is lost. What steps will be taken by both parents and youth?
- Take time as a family to establish a list of guidelines for using the cell phone. Make a copy of the list and post it in a visible place to be revisited during a follow-up conversation.

Devotions:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14 (NRSV)

What we say and how we respond to others makes a difference.

- In what ways do you reflect God's love though our conversations and thoughts?
- How can a cell phone be used in a way that is acceptable to the Lord?

Service:

Many organizations collect and recycle old cell phones. As a family, collect cell phones not in use from your family and friends and deliver them to a recycle location. Call or text 3 friends or family members you haven't spoken to recently.

Rituals and Traditions:

Pray together:

Dear God, help us to trust one another and be honest in our conversations so that our words and thoughts may be pleasing to you. Amen.

Bless one another saying: "May the Lord bless you with the wisdom to speak acceptable words and show God's love in all the ways you connect with others."