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Create Opportunities to Preach

¹ The Christian congregation is made up of people with a wide variety of circumstances. Yet, we are united in our determination to praise Jehovah. (Ps. 79:13) If poor health or other challenging circumstances limit our share in proclaiming the good news, how can we create opportunities to preach?

² **In Daily Activities:** Jesus took advantage of his everyday dealings with people to give a witness. He spoke to Matthew while passing a tax office, to Zacchaeus while traveling, and to a Samaritan woman while resting. (Matt. 9:9; Luke 19:1-5; John 4:6-10) In our daily activities, we too can turn an ordinary conversation into a

witness. Having a Bible handy, along with tracts or brochures, will encourage us to be ready to speak about our hope.—1 Pet. 3:15.

³ Does impaired mobility limit your participation in the door-to-door work? Be alert to opportunities to witness to visiting medical personnel and others with whom you come in contact. (Acts 28:30, 31) If circumstances often keep you at home, have you tried witnessing by telephone or by letter? One sister regularly writes to non-Witness family members. She includes encouraging thoughts from the Bible and experiences she has had while witnessing.

⁴ **At Work or School:** Our desire to praise Jehovah will also move us to create opportunities to plant seeds of truth at work or school. An eight-year-old publisher shared with his class what he read in *Awake!* about the moon. After learning where he got the information, his teacher began accepting *The Watchtower* and *Awake!* on a regular basis. At the workplace, our simply keeping a copy of the *Bible Teach* book where others can see it may prompt questions and lead to a witness.

⁵ Can you think of ways to create opportunities to preach in your daily activities? By making the most of our circumstances, may we strive each day to “offer to God a sacrifice of praise.”—Heb. 13:15.

Show Personal Interest —By Being Prepared

¹ Good preparation for the ministry helps us to show personal interest in others. How so? When we are well prepared, we are less preoccupied with our presentation and so can give greater attention to the householder. Further, it helps us to overcome nervousness and allows us to speak from the heart. How, though, can we prepare an effective presentation?

² **Use a Presentation That Fits:** Select from the January 2006 *Our Kingdom Ministry* one of the suggested presentations that is appropriate for your area, and consider how you can put it in your own words. Adapt it to your territory. For example, if you are like-

ly to meet people of a certain religious or ethnic background, think of how your presentation can appeal to them. Tailoring your approach to the individuals with whom you speak reflects sincere interest in them.—1 Cor. 9:22.

³ As you begin using the presentation, continue to refine it. Since the opening words are especially important, note how people respond to your introduction. Does the subject interest them? Do the questions you pose bring a response? If not, make adjustments until you find an approach that works.

⁴ **Memory Aids:** Many find it a challenge to remember a pre-

sentation when they are at the door. If you find that to be so, have you tried having practice sessions in which you give the presentation out loud to another person? This can help you to get the ideas clearly in mind and present them in a simple, logical manner. It can also prepare you to handle the variety of responses you may get.

⁵ Another memory aid is to write a short summary of the presentation on an index card and glance at it just before you approach the door. Some find that this brief reminder helps them to be more relaxed and better able to converse with people. In these ways, good preparation can help us to show personal interest in others and thus enhance our presentation of the good news.

SERVICE MEETING SCHEDULE

Week Starting February 13

Song 121

10 min: Local announcements.

Using the suggestions on page 8 or other presentations appropriate for your territory, demonstrate how to present the February 15 *Watchtower* and the February *Awake!* In one presentation, demonstrate witnessing in a public place.

10 min: Are You Keeping Pace With Jehovah's Organization? A talk based on *Organized to Do Jehovah's Will*, pages 7-10.

25 min: "Draw Attention to 'the Light of the World.'" * To be handled by the service overseer. Announce the names of those who have enrolled as auxiliary pioneers. Outline extra meetings for field service that have been arranged. Include comments on the sample auxiliary pioneer schedules on page 5 of the February 2005 *Our Kingdom Ministry* insert.

Song 224 and concluding prayer.

Week Starting February 20

Song 89

10 min: Local announcements.

Selected Announcements from *Our Kingdom Ministry*.

15 min: "Create Opportunities to Preach." * Invite a publisher who has challenging circumstances to comment on how he or she has been able to create opportunities to witness.

20 min: "A Help That Is Readily to Be Found." * To be handled by an elder. Include brief comments on the November 1998 and November 2000

Our Kingdom Ministry Question Boxes.

Song 1 and concluding prayer.

Week Starting February 27

Song 20

10 min: Local announcements.

Read accounts report and donation acknowledgments. Remind publishers to turn in field service reports for February. Using the suggestions on page 8 or other presentations appropriate for your territory, demonstrate how to present either the March 1 *Watchtower* or the March *Awake!*

10 min: Local needs.

25 min: How to Offer the *Bible Teach* Book. During March we will offer the new book. Using the suggestions in the January 2006 *Our Kingdom Ministry* insert, pages 3-6, review and demonstrate several presentations that are well suited for the local territory. Invite audience to relate outstanding experiences they have enjoyed using the new book, especially Bible studies that have been started. Song 148 and concluding prayer.

Week Starting March 6

Song 51

10 min: Local announcements.

Because tracts are easy to carry and visually appealing, they are useful for starting conversations when engaging in the house-to-house ministry, when preaching in public places, and when witnessing informally. Demonstrate how to start a conversation using the new tract *All Suffering Soon to End!* Highlight one of the quoted scriptures on page 2 of the tract.

15 min: "Show Personal Interest—By Being Prepared." * Include a brief demonstration showing two publishers preparing to offer the *Bible Teach* book. They select a presentation from the January 2006 *Our Kingdom Ministry* insert and discuss how they can put it in their own words and adapt it to the local territory. The demonstration concludes as they are about to rehearse the presentation together out loud.

20 min: "Use Visual Aids That Teach." * As you discuss each video mentioned in the article, show the cover and read a brief excerpt describing the contents. Ask the audience to relate experiences they have had in using videos in their ministry.—See the 1997 *Yearbook*, p. 54, and the 1995 *Yearbook*, pp. 50-1.

Song 68 and concluding prayer.

* Limit introductory comments to less than a minute, and follow with a question-and-answer discussion.

OCTOBER SERVICE REPORT

Number of:	Av. Hrs.	Av. Mags.	Av. R.V.	Av. Bi.St.
Sp'l Pios.	179	102.4	85.0	47.2 4.9
Pios.	96,779	66.9	44.8	20.6 1.9
Aux. Pios.	41,687	49.6	37.8	12.4 1.0
Pubs.	859,069	9.6	8.6	3.6 0.3
TOTAL	997,714		Baptized:	2,152

We are happy to report a new peak in regular pioneers! The total of 96,779 regular pioneers reporting is an increase of 727 over the previous peak of 96,052 in December of 2004.

Draw Attention to “the Light of the World”

¹ Through the prophet Isaiah, Jehovah foretold: “The people that were walking in the darkness have seen a great light. As for those dwelling in the land of deep shadow, light itself has shone upon them.” (Isa. 9:2) That “great light” was seen in the works of God’s own Son, Jesus Christ. His work while on earth and the blessings resulting from his sacrifice uplifted those who were in darkness spiritually. Such light is what people need in these darkened times. The Lord’s Evening Meal provides a special opportunity for us to draw attention to “the light of the world.” (John 8:12) Last year, millions displayed a measure of faith by joining us in obeying Jesus’ command: “Keep doing this in remembrance of me.” (Luke 22:19) As this year’s Memorial observance approaches, how can we share in calling attention to the great light that Jehovah has caused to shine forth?—Phil. 2:15.

² **Build Heart Appreciation:** The Memorial season is an opportune time to meditate on the great love that Jehovah and Jesus showed in providing the ransom sacrifice for mankind. (John 3:16; 2 Cor. 5:14, 15) Doing so will no doubt intensify our heart appreciation for this sacred occasion. All of God’s people will want to set aside time to read and meditate on the special Memorial Bible reading, as outlined in *Examining the Scriptures Daily*. Thinking of Jehovah’s matchless qualities, which are so gloriously revealed in his provision of the ransom, makes us proud to have him

as our God. Reflecting upon what the ransom means for us personally intensifies our heartfelt love for God and his Son and motivates us to exert ourselves in doing God’s will.—Gal. 2:20.

³ If we deepen our appreciation for Jehovah’s provision of salvation, our enthusiasm for the Memorial will radiate to Bible students, return visits, relatives, neighbors, schoolmates, workmates, and others whom we invite to this special occasion. (Luke 6:45) Therefore, make a special effort to invite all such ones, providing a printed Memorial invitation to serve as a reminder to them. So as not to forget anyone, many have found it practical to maintain a list of those they regularly invite to the Memorial, adding new ones annually. Taking an organized approach and earnestly following through in inviting interested ones would be a fine way of expressing our gratitude to Jehovah God “for his indescribable free gift.”—2 Cor. 9:15.

⁴ **Increased Share in the Ministry:** Can you increase your share in the ministry during March and April? Endeavoring to share with others “the glorious good news about the Christ” will surely have God’s blessing. Jehovah, as the Source of all spiritual enlightenment, has commanded: “Let the light shine out of darkness.” (2 Cor. 4:4-6) As needed, the elders will arrange to have meetings for field service at extra times and locations, taking the lead to support longer witnessing periods. This may include early-morning street work or arrangements to do business territory

1. What great light was foretold in God’s Word, and what occasion draws special attention to this light?

2. How can we intensify our heart appreciation for the ransom sacrifice, and what effect will doing so have?

3. How can we demonstrate our appreciation for the Memorial?

4. What can help us to increase our share in the ministry during March and April?

and telephone witnessing in the afternoon or early evening. As an aid to increasing your share in the ministry, set a reasonable goal of hours, and work hard to attain it. For many, giving Jehovah their best includes the privilege of auxiliary pioneering.—Col. 3:23, 24.

⁵ Can You Auxiliary Pioneer? It has now been over seven years since the hour requirement for auxiliary pioneering was reduced. This adjustment has made it possible for many more to experience the blessings of auxiliary pioneer service. Have you tried it? Some make it their custom to do so each year. In many congregations dozens of publishers take up this form of service together, and it becomes a rewarding highlight of the congregation's activity during the year. Can you make room for a joyful month of auxiliary pioneering during the Memorial season? April may be an especially good month for some, since it has five full weekends.

⁶ Is your congregation scheduled to have the visit of the circuit overseer during March or April? An added blessing may be open to you. As was previously announced, during the 2006 service year, all who are serving as auxiliary pioneers during the month in which the circuit overseer visits will be invited to attend the first half of the meeting held with the pioneers during the week of the visit. No doubt the spiritually strengthening information provided at this meeting will assist many auxiliary pioneers to reach out to become regular pioneers. In addition, during March we will have the joy of assisting people to come into the spiritual light by means of the new study publication *What Does the Bible Really Teach?* Why not make it your goal to start a Bible study in the new book?

5. How are many benefiting from the reduced hour requirement for auxiliary pioneering?
6. What exciting provisions have been made available?

⁷ As you consider the auxiliary pioneer requirement of 50 hours, determine what schedule will allow you to shine forth the light of truth for about 12 hours each week. Talk it over with those who have successfully done so, as well as with others. This may encourage them to join you. With good planning, baptized publishers, young and old alike, have found that it was not too difficult to reach this commendable goal. Pray about it. Then, if possible, make your plans, and enjoy auxiliary pioneering!—Mal. 3:10.

⁸ Many families have found that a well-coordinated effort can make it possible for at least one family member to attain this goal. One family decided that all five baptized members would enroll as auxiliary pioneers. Two other children who were not yet baptized made a special effort to increase their activity. How did the family benefit from making an extra effort? They wrote: "It was such an agreeable month, and we strongly felt that the family bonds were strengthened. We thank Jehovah for the wonderful blessing!"

⁹ Will our special activity during March and April prove to be stimulating, drawing us closer to our heavenly Father? Much will depend on the personal effort we put forth toward intensifying our love for God and his Son and increasing our share in the ministry. May our resolve be like that of the psalmist, who sang: "I shall laud Jehovah very much with my mouth, and in among many people I shall praise him." (Ps. 109:30) Jehovah will bless our zealous activity this Memorial season. So may we let a great light shine forth so that many more can come out of darkness and "possess the light of life."—John 8:12.

- 7, 8. (a) What can help us to make a schedule to auxiliary pioneer? (b) How can family cooperation help, and how does the entire family benefit?
9. How can we let our light shine during this Memorial season?

A Help That Is Readily to Be Found

¹ Anna, a sister with an unbelieving husband and a demanding work schedule, found it a struggle to attend Christian meetings regularly, participate in the ministry, and study God's Word. Though she still loved Jehovah, she became inactive. Happily, she received spiritual assistance from concerned elders.

² Accepting the spiritual help offered through the Christian congregation demonstrates reliance on Jehovah himself. In imitation of Jesus Christ's loving care, the older men in the congregation seek opportunities to offer encouragement and practical assistance to those experiencing spiritual difficulty. (1 Thess. 5:14) Oftentimes, a kind word of encouragement centered on reassuring Scriptural passages can be just what is needed. Reaching out to support those in a temporarily weak condition is of concern to all Christians, not just the elders. No doubt each of us has experienced the power of a thoughtful "word spoken at the right time for it."—Prov. 25:11; Isa. 35:3, 4.

³ **Take the Initiative:** Showing loving interest in those who need help requires that we take the initiative, show fellow feeling, and be earnest. When Jonathan became aware of David's distressing situation, he "rose up and went to David at Horesh, that he might strengthen his hand." (1 Sam. 23:15, 16) Use a gentle approach to help others. Words motivated by genuine concern yield the best results. Furthermore, Jesus clearly illustrated that diligent, purposeful effort is involved in regaining a spiritual brother or sister. (Luke 15:4) Having an earnest desire to assist another person will move us to persevere in offering help even if progress is not quickly manifest.

⁴ How encouraging it is when we take the initiative to invite others, such as those in our book study, to accompany us in the ministry! As we assist a fellow servant of Jehovah

to engage in the ministry, we may use the opportunity to strengthen that one's hand. Such joyful times spent together in Jehovah's service are especially encouraging to those who are recovering their spiritual balance.

⁵ **A Loving Provision:** Those who have not shared in the preaching work or associated with the congregation for some time may need additional help to build up their faith. A personal Bible study in a publication such as *Worship the Only True God*, *Draw Close to Jehovah*, or *What Does the Bible Really Teach?* may be just what is needed. Since the person is already baptized, generally the study need not be continued for a prolonged period. The Congregation Service Committee should be alert to observe who might benefit from this provision.—See the November 1998 and November 2000 *Our Kingdom Ministry* Question Boxes.

⁶ Anna, mentioned earlier, gratefully accepted the elders' offer to have a spiritually mature sister conduct a Bible study with her. It took just four study sessions to help her draw close to Jehovah once again. She resumed attending congregation meetings and rekindled her desire to praise Jehovah God publicly. The mature sister also helped her in the ministry by taking her on other Bible studies until she was sufficiently strengthened to preach from door to door. A helping hand was all that she needed to get going again!

⁷ Strengthening those in need brings blessings to all. The one being helped enjoys the happiness of drawing close to Jehovah and becoming involved with the activities of His organization. The elders rejoice to see such spiritual progress. (Luke 15:5, 6) The congregation is drawn together in unity as all show loving concern for one another. (Col. 3:12-14) What good reasons we have to imitate Jehovah, a help that is readily to be found!—Eph. 5:1.

1. How can one's spirituality weaken?
2. In what way can all Christians prove to be a help that is readily to be found?
- 3, 4. What is involved in helping others, and how may we do so?

5. In some circumstances, what assistance may the elders offer?
6. How did one sister regain spiritual strength?
7. What benefits come from strengthening others spiritually?

Enjoy Our Study of *What Does the Bible Really Teach?*

¹ An exciting feature of the “Godly Obedience” District Conventions was the release of the book *What Does the Bible Really Teach?* We will soon be using it extensively in our field ministry, especially when we conduct home Bible studies. Therefore, we need to become well acquainted with this new publication. That will be possible because we will be studying it at the Congregation Book Study beginning the week of April 17, 2006.

² The Congregation Book Study overseer will call attention to the questions that appear at the start of each chapter. Then the study will be conducted by using the questions at the bottom of the page. Key scriptures will be read and discussed, and the box “What the Bible Teaches” at the end of each chapter will be helpful in reviewing the material because the box contains the Scriptural answers to the chapter’s introductory questions. You will enjoy commenting, since this book covers subjects in a clear, simple, and interesting way.

³ The appendix of this book provides details on various topics. We will be able to use this material when Bible students need more information on a certain subject. Portions of the appendix will at times be covered during the Congregation Book Study. All the appendix material on a topic will be read by the book study reader, and the longer articles can be covered in sections. Study questions do not appear in the appendix. But the overseer can draw comments from those present by asking questions that highlight main points.

⁴ Studies of the *Bible Teach* book will move along briskly at the Congregation Book Study. We are not expected to keep that pace when we study this publication with others, particularly if they have little or no Bible knowledge. (Acts 26: 28, 29) During home Bible studies, we will need to discuss scriptures more thoroughly, explain illustrations, and so forth. So make it your goal to be in attendance every week and to share fully in our study of the book *What Does the Bible Really Teach?*

What Does the Bible Really Teach?

Study schedule for the weeks of April 17, 2006, through January 1, 2007.

WEEK OF	CHAPTER	PARAGRAPHS	APPENDIX	WEEK OF	CHAPTER	PARAGRAPHS	APPENDIX
Apr. 17	1*	1-13		Sept. 25	12	17-22	
Apr. 24	1	14-24	pp. 195-7	Oct. 2	13	1-9	
May 1	2	1-17		Oct. 9	13	10-19	
May 8	2	18-20	pp. 199-201	Oct. 16	14	1-13	
May 15	3	1-12		Oct. 23	14	14-21	
May 22	3	13-24		Oct. 30	15	1-14	
May 29	4	1-11	pp. 197-9	Nov. 6	15	15-20	pp. 219-20
June 5	4	12-22	pp. 201-4	Nov. 13	16	1-10	pp. 221-2
June 12	5	1-13	pp. 204-6	Nov. 20	16	11-19	pp. 222-3
June 19	5	14-22	pp. 206-8	Nov. 27	17	1-11	
June 26	6	1-6	pp. 208-11	Dec. 4	17	12-20	
July 3	6	7-20		Dec. 11	18	1-13	
July 10	7	1-15		Dec. 18	18	14-25	
July 17	7	16-25	pp. 212-15	Dec. 25	19	1-14	
July 24	8	1-17		Jan. 1	19	15-23	
July 31	8	18-23	pp. 215-18	<p>Read and briefly discuss as many cited scriptures as time permits. All paragraphs, both in the main text and in the appendix, should be read. Discuss the box “What the Bible Teaches” after considering the last paragraph in the chapter.</p> <p>* Include preface, pages 3-7.</p>			
Aug. 7	9	1-9	pp. 218-19				
Aug. 14	9	10-18					
Aug. 21	10	1-9					
Aug. 28	10	10-19					
Sept. 4	11	1-11					
Sept. 11	11	12-21					
Sept. 18	12	1-16					

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Literature offer for **February**: *Draw Close to Jehovah*. If this publication is not available, you may use the *Revelation Climax* book as an alternative offer. **March**: *What Does the Bible Really Teach?* Make a special effort to start Bible studies. **April and May**: *The Watchtower* and *Awake!* magazines. When making return visits on interested people, including those who attended the Memorial or other theocratic events but who are not actively associated with the congregation, concentrate on starting Bible studies using the *Bible Teach* book.
- Since April has five full weekends,

it would be an excellent month to auxiliary pioneer.

- The special public talk for the 2006 Memorial season will be entitled "Is God Still in Control?" See the related announcement in the September 2005 *Our Kingdom Ministry*.

■ The article on page 6 entitled "Enjoy Our Study of *What Does the Bible Really Teach?*" will be considered at the Service Meeting the week of April 3. Please save that article and the accompanying study schedule.

- The presiding overseer or someone designated by him should audit the congregation's accounts on March 1 or as soon as possible thereafter. If a separate checking account is maintained, such as for maintenance or construction, arrangements should also be

made to audit this account. When the audit(s) have been completed, this should be announced to the congregation with the next accounts report.

- Regional Building Committees have sample corporation and trusteeship documents to be used for congregation property ownership. When it becomes necessary to update these legal papers, the elders should obtain the latest samples from their regional committee.

■ The secretary and the service overseer should review the activity of all regular pioneers. If any are having difficulty meeting the hour requirement, the elders should arrange for assistance to be given. For suggestions, review the annual S-201 letters.

THEOCRATIC MINISTRY SCHOOL REVIEW

The following questions will be considered orally at the Theocratic Ministry School during the week beginning February 27, 2006. The school overseer will conduct a 30-minute review based on material covered in assignments for the weeks of January 2 through February 27, 2006. [Note: Where there are no references after the question, you will need to do your own research to find the answers.—See *Ministry School*, pp. 36-7.]

SPEECH QUALITIES

1. In what ways does the Theocratic Ministry School help us to 'offer to God a sacrifice of praise and to make public declaration to his name'? (Heb. 13:15) [*be* p. 5 par. 3–p. 6 par. 1]
2. Why should we put forth diligent effort to read accurately? [*be* p. 83 pars. 1-5]
3. When we are speaking and teaching, why is clear speech so important? [*be* p. 86 pars. 1-6]
4. Why is correct pronunciation important, and what factors need to be considered? [*be* p. 89 par. 1–p. 90 par. 2, box]
5. What are some suggestions to help us become more fluent in conversation? [*be* p. 94 pars. 4-5, box]

ASSIGNMENT NO. 1

6. How does 2 Chronicles 36:17-23 verify the reliability of Bible prophecy? [*si* p. 84 par. 35]
7. What chain of events made it possible for the Jews to return to their homeland in 537 B.C.E. in order to rebuild the house of Jehovah? [*si* p. 85 pars. 1-3]

8. How does the book of Ezra vindicate Jehovah as the true God and build confidence in him? [*si* p. 87 pars. 14, 18]
9. Why is "the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king" important in Bible chronology? (Neh. 2:1, 5, 6, 11, 17, 18) [*si* p. 88 pars. 2, 5]
10. How is Nehemiah a good example for God's servants today? [*si* p. 90 pars. 16-17]

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

11. Were the Urim and the Thummim, which were used when an answer was needed from Jehovah, available to the returning exiles? (Ezra 2:61-63)
12. Why were many Jews in Babylon reluctant to go up to Jerusalem with Ezra? (Ezra 7:28–8:20)
13. How could the work of rebuilding the wall be done with just one hand? (Neh. 4:17, 18)
14. Since confidential letters were usually placed in a sealed bag, why did Sanballat send "an open letter" to Nehemiah? (Neh. 6:5)
15. In addition to 'finding fault' with the backsliding Jews, as he had done earlier with the princes and the nobles, what other corrective measures did Nehemiah take? (Neh. 13:25, 28)

Use Visual Aids That Teach

¹ To convey important information to his ancient servants, Jehovah at times used visions and dreams. Think of Ezekiel's vision of Jehovah's celestial chariot. (Ezek. 1:1-28) Imagine how Daniel felt after receiving the prophetic dream depicting the march of world powers. (Dan. 7:1-15, 28) And what about the electrifying revelation presented "in signs" to the apostle John regarding things that would take place during "the Lord's day"? (Rev. 1:1, 10) Jehovah taught them using vivid color and dynamic action, and it made a lasting impression on their minds.

² If we want to convey Bible truths to others with an impact that will not easily be forgotten, we can likewise use our videos to teach. Our videos cover a wide range of topics and build confidence in the Bible, in Jehovah's organization, and in principles that enhance Christian living. Consider a few ways we can use our videos to teach. The following are a sample of the videos that may be used.

³ **In the Ministry:** Have you been *telling* a Bible student about our global Christian brotherhood? *Show* it to him with the video *Our Whole Association of Brothers*. Either lend it to him to watch before your next study or view it together during an upcoming session. Then discuss the review questions found in the June 2002 *Our Kingdom Ministry*.

⁴ Youths, you might speak to

1. How did Jehovah use visual aids to teach his ancient servants, and with what effect?
2. What visual aids can we use to teach others Bible truths?
3. What can you use to direct a Bible student to the organization?
4. What teaching tools might a Witness youth use at school?

your teacher about the possibility of showing your class the video documentaries *Jehovah's Witnesses Stand Firm Against Nazi Assault* or *Faithful Under Trials—Jehovah's Witnesses in the Soviet Union*. Offer to prepare a question sheet, adapting for class discussion the questions in the June 2001 or the February 2003 *Our Kingdom Ministry*.

⁵ **With Family and Friends:** Parents, think how much your children have grown since the video *Young People Ask—How Can I Make Real Friends?* was first released. Why not watch it again at your next family study? The April 2002 *Our Kingdom Ministry* outlines questions for a lively and candid discussion.

⁶ Are there friends in the congregation you have wanted to invite to your home? Watching together the video *Respect Jehovah's Authority* would make for an upbuilding evening, especially if afterward you review the lessons learned, using the questions listed in the September 2004 *Our Kingdom Ministry*.

⁷ **Other Opportunities:** How else can you use our 20 different videos? Would showing one or two of them to someone you visit regularly help him to progress spiritually? Could you offer to show the videos at a local nursing home or a center for senior citizens? Would the videos help to win the respect of your non-Witness relatives, neighbors, and workmates? Our videos are impressive, instructive, and effective visual aids. Use them to teach.

5. What is available for parents to use on family studies?
6. How could you arrange for an upbuilding time with friends?
7. What possible opportunities can you think of for using our videos?

What to Say About the Magazines

THE WATCHTOWER[®] ANNOUNCING JEHOVAH'S KINGDOM **Feb. 15**

"If you could pick someone to rule the world, whom would you choose? [Allow for response.] This issue of *The Watchtower* considers the credentials of the Messiah, the one whom God has chosen to rule the earth. It also explains what his rule will mean for mankind." Read Isaiah 9:6, 7.

Awake![®] Feb.

"There are many gods that people worship today. However, notice what Jesus said in prayer about his heavenly Father. [Read John 17:3.] If there is only one true God, what about all the other gods? [Allow for response.] This article gives the Bible's viewpoint." Feature the article on pages 28-9.

THE WATCHTOWER[®] ANNOUNCING JEHOVAH'S KINGDOM **Mar. 1**

"Most people agree that we should love one another, as Jesus commanded in this scripture. [Read John 13:34, 35.] Where, though, can we find people who are applying Jesus' teachings in their lives? [Allow for response.] This magazine considers how we can identify genuine Christians today."

Awake![®] Mar.

"Love is vital for our happiness and well-being. Yet, for many people, true love is hard to find. Why do you think that is? [Allow for response.] One key to *finding* true love is to learn to *show* unselfish love for others. This magazine discusses what that involves." Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7.