



## Family Encouragement Notes

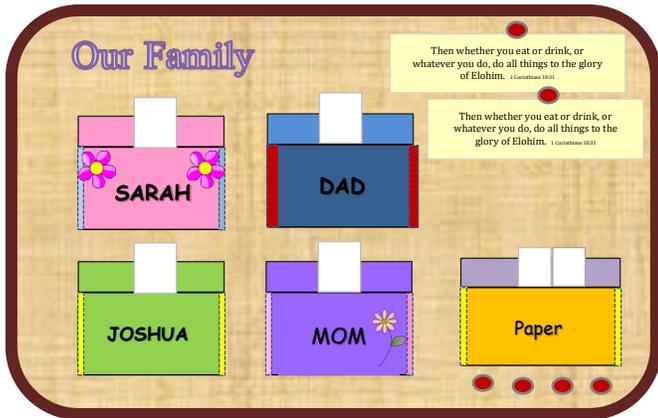
An activity that involves the whole family!

### This is a family project everyone can do together!

During the day, when Mom sees her children doing something she would like to praise them for, she will write it down on a strip of paper and put it in the child's personal pocket pinned to the cork board. Mom can also write something for Dad each day.

After everyone has finished eating dinner in the evening and still sitting at the table, Dad will pull out the strips of paper from the children's pockets and read them out loud for everyone to hear.

Mom will collect all the children's strips of paper and tape them onto a white sheet of paper. Then the sheets of paper can be put into a page protector and placed in a family binder for everyone to go back and read later.



### Supplies Needed:

- Cork Board and tacks
- Colored Card Stock or heavy paper for pocket folders (*the amount will depend on how large or small your family is!*)
- Scissors
- Marker or crayon for writing names
- Stapler or tape
- White or colored paper cut in wide strips
- Notebook binder
- White copy paper
- Plastic Sheet Protectors

### Instructions:

#### To Make the Pockets ~

1. Cut the card stock into even squares about 6" x 4" – one pocket for each person in the family (*including Dad and Mom*) and one for the white strips of paper
2. To form the pocket, fold each square in half, but leave about an inch at the top
3. (*the top part is where the tack will be placed to pin to the bulletin board*)
4. Staple or tape each side of the pocket to seal up the sides
5. Write each person's name in the family on their own individual pocket
6. With the tacks, pin the pockets onto the cork board



Pocket Example

#### Tips ~

*You can have each person decorate their pocket and write their own name of it if you like*  
*For taping up the sides, you can use the fancy Washi tape to give it a nice decorative touch*  
*Add favorite Bible verses to the board!*