

# Family Movie Night Devo



In the movie, *Ratatouille*, there are many wonderful themes to discuss with your children. Watch this movie together then use the tools below to have a short devotional.

Young Remy wants to cook. He's enthralled, consumed, obsessed with the idea of someday becoming a great chef. Remy has a problem, though: He's a rat. A Parisian rat with a heightened sense of smell, a discerning palate and a natural skill in the culinary arts ... but, still a rat. And then you have Linguini, a clumsy kitchen boy. Linguini wants desperately to keep his job but he can't cook. So the two come together to create quite an interesting team. Their friendship begins to pave the way for an incredible journey as Remy understands the true meaning of family and Linguini finds love. Both ultimately find that who they are and where they come from does not hold them back from a fulfilling life.

God shows us throughout scripture that he uses ordinary people to accomplish all things for His Kingdom! Think of your favorite biblical character, before they were "well-known" they were unknown. Linguini, the clumsy kitchen boy who desperately wants to keep his job must release his control of all the things he cannot do and rely on outside help to accomplish great things. Remy, a rat who dreams of becoming a chef, has to let go of his inabilities and rely on others to help him as well. Both characters gain much greatness out of their humbleness. Much like the Apostle Paul. Paul was one of the most educated men of his day and yet God brought him low in Acts 9. Through his humbling, Paul was able to be used by God to do so much more for His Kingdom!

Parents, be on the lookout in all media that challenges a biblical worldview and discuss with your kids. Discussion question 1 is a great place to start.

## Discussion Questions:

1. When asked, Linguini reports that his mother has died, but goes on to say, "It's OK. She believed in heaven. So she's covered." Is this true? Does believing in heaven mean we are saved?

Romans 10:9-10 tells us, "That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved." How is this different from only believing in heaven?

2. Remy believes that because of who he is, he cannot accomplish the desires of his heart to become a chef. While there are times we will not be granted the desires of our hearts, through operating within God's guidance we will be able to accomplish great things despite our histories. What are some of your dreams for your future? Parents, share with your kids a dream you had that came to fruition or not and what you learned through it.

3. Linguini and Remy made a big mistake by lying and hiding their tricks. However, after they told the truth they were still able to be forgiven and Remy's dreams of becoming a head chef come true. How is this like God's love and forgiveness for us?