



TOGETHER SERIES

Doing Family and Marriage Together

In you (Abraham) all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

Genesis 12:3

In this promise to Abraham we discover God’s eternal plan and purpose for marriages and families.

Family Checkup Time:

- Do our families and marriages reflect God’s design and purpose?
- Is Jesus Christ the cornerstone of our marriages and family?
- Even with God’s promise we still ask “*what’s going on in our country with marriages and families*”?

The Challenge

1. **The battle for your _____.**

Redeem the time, because the days are evil. Ephesians 5:16

The word “redeem” speaks of taking back ownership of something

- Statistically, parents are spending more time together with family...yet there is a continued decline of the health and stability of the family unit.
- It’s not only about *making* the time; it’s about how we *spend* the time with each other.
- Make the decision to take back ownership of your time

2. _____ **against the family!**

Your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 1 Peter 5:8

Family and marriages are in a spiritual war! We see this in the following:

- Destruction of the marital foundation
- Rise and bondages of generational curses
- Family members under demonic oppression

The Solution

1. Make the decision to _____!

As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. Joshua 24:15

2. Believe God to restore His _____ in marriage.

Live as heirs together of the grace of life. 1 Peter 3:7

3. Rebuild the family _____.

You shall raise up the foundations of many generations. Is. 58:12

4. Impart _____ and purpose into the kids.

All your children shall be taught by the LORD, and great shall be the peace of your children. Isaiah 54:13

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TOGETHER: Doing Life as a Team

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LIFE GROUP REFLECTION QUESTIONS

God created marriage so the whole family could experience His promises of blessing together and flourish for generations. In this discussion, we will explore the challenges and solutions of doing family together.

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back on your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

MY STORY

1. Who do you consider to be family? How have they shaped you into the person you are today?
2. When life gets busy, the "urgent" often wins over the "important." What things have you missed out on because you just didn't have enough time? How has this impacted your family?

DIGGING DEEPER

God's Original Plan & Purpose for Families – Genesis 1:28

Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it.

In this passage, we see God blessing and commissioning Adam and Eve as a team. They were called to be fruitful and subdue the earth "together." Why do you think God emphasized Adam and Eve's unity as a team? Who has God placed in your life to partner with in fulfilling your callings?

The Calling of Noah and His Family - Read Genesis 6:9-10, 18; 7:1; 9:1

God had a special assignment for Noah and his family to accomplish together. Based on your understanding of the story, why was it so important that they work together? How did God use Noah to restore His purpose for families?

The Blessing of Abraham and His Family – Genesis 12:3

“In you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

In this passage, God’s promise to bless Abraham extends to all the families of the earth, including yours. Through Jesus, God desires all families to be blessed. How has your family been blessed through your relationship with Jesus?

When we think about our own families, it may be easier to see brokenness rather than blessings. The families of Adam, Noah, and Abraham were no different. However, God chose to use and bless them in spite of their brokenness. What blessing might God want to bring to and through your family?

Jesus’ Family is Your Family – Matthew 12:48-50

[Jesus asked,] “Who is My mother and who are My brothers?” And He stretched out His hand toward His disciples and said, “Here are My mother and My brothers! For whoever does the will of My Father in heaven is My brother and sister and mother.”

While Jesus loved and valued his mother and brothers, He considered His disciples to be His true family. Who do you consider to be your family? How does “doing the Father’s will” bind people together as family?

MOVING FORWARD

1. Review the four solutions from Sunday’s notes and think about those whom you consider your family. Which might you put into practice this week? What other steps can you take to restore, renew, and bless your family this week?
2. **Prayer of Three** – When the Philippian jailer asked Paul how he could be saved, Paul responded, ‘Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household’ (Acts 16:31), knowing that his faith would extend to the members of his household (his family). Pray for the three people on your list, believing that your faith will extend to them and they will be saved.