

## **GROUP NOTES**

### **OUR VALUES: 2 - FAMILY**

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#### **WELCOME**

- What has been positive about the past week? Any good news? What are you thankful for? Have you got a testimony of what God has done?

#### **WE VALUE NATURAL & SPIRITUAL FAMILY**

“Values” - Definition: *Principles or standards of behaviour; one's judgement of what is important in life.*

- By stating what our values are we are saying “This is important to us.”
- Describe the family you grew up in. What was positive or negative about the family?

#### **# Read the following Scriptures together:**

Genesis 2:18

The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”

Matthew 19:5-6

“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh”? 6 So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Ephesians 5:21-27

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. 22 Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Saviour. 24 Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. 25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her 26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, 27 and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. 7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

Psalm 127:3-5

Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him. 4 Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. 5 Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

# Questions for discussion:

- 1) What is the best example of marriage you've seen?
- 2) What are the things you would like to avoid in marriage?
- 3) What would you like your marriage to be like?
- 4) What can you learn and apply from the scriptures above?

WE ARE A FAMILY - Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household.

Eph 2:19

WE ARE A BODY - Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

1 Cor 12:27

WE ARE AN ARMY - For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. 13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

Eph 6:12-13

- 1) We are spiritual family. What do you think are some of our responsibilities towards each other?
  - 2) We are a body. What are some of your gifts and talents with which you can be a blessing to the church?
  - 3) We are in a spiritual battle for the lives of people. Where/how do you think God wants to use you in this battle?
- Pray for each other that Jesus will be Lord of every area in our lives.
  - Pray for friends, family and the unsaved.