

"Family"

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- 1. Do you come from a large or small family? What are some things that make your family unique?
- 2. READ Genesis 1:27-28, 2:24-25. Talk about God's amazing plan for the family and how important it is to stick to his original plan.
- 3. READ I John 3:1; Romans 8:1-16; Ephesians 2:19. What does it mean to be part of God's Family? Is everyone automatically a member?
- 4. READ Colossians 1:2; I Timothy 5:1-2. Why do we often call one another "Brother" or "Sister" within the church family? Why do you think God likens the church to a family? What are some other "family" type connections you see in the Scripture that associate the church with family?
- 5. Discuss the following ways we can be part of a healthy family of God:
 - Practicing the One Another Commands. (How do these contribute to a healthy family of God as well as a healthy family in general?)
 - Walking in the Spirit, not the flesh. (What are some examples of each?)
 - Sharing in other people's joys and sorrows. (How well is our group doing here?)
 - Extending lots of grace. (What does this look like within the church family and our group?)
- 6. Do you think the family is under attack in our society? Why or why not?
- 7. READ Eph. 5:22-6:4. Why is it vital that we follow God's blueprint for the family?
- 8. What is the state of marriage in the U.S.? How can SLC help strengthen marriages?
- 9. What are some other ways that SLC can be "Fighting for Families" and how can you participate?
- 10. What would you add to the "Family" discussion regarding how important it is for a church to be a great place for families? Any ideas you would like to share?
- 11. What struggles are you and your family facing in this season? Spend time praying for one another, strong marriages and families, and for SLC to be a great place for families to thrive.