

FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

JUNE 28

"HAVE TO, OR GET TO?"

Scripture References

- Matthew 28:20
- 1 Corinthians 4:14-17
- 2 Timothy 2:1-2



Quick Re-Cap

Pastor Nick explained that being a part of the family of God is something special, not something we HAVE to do, like a chore. We are God's children, and He promises to be with us always (Matt. 28:20) as we work together doing what God asked us to do: tell others about Him, and show them how to love him.

(1 Corinthians 4:14-17) Paul shows us what spiritual fatherhood looks like by saying "Follow me as I follow Christ." We need more spiritual parents, not just teachers.

(2 Timothy 2:1-2) We should invest in others who will invest in others. Love and disciple others the way you have been loved and disciplined. We should love other people in God's family the way we love our own family by taking them along with us and sharing God's love with them.

Illustration

There are some yucky jobs that we all have to do, like cleaning toilets. Would you rather clean toilets or watch a movie as a family? The cool thing is, being a part of God's family is something special that's even better than the special family time! It's not something gross we HAVE to do. It's the best!



Application

Start with your world, not the WHOLE world. Think about the people you're around on a daily basis. Friends, neighbors, people at school... God loves all of them and wants them to be a part of His family. This week, let's pray that God will show us who He wants us to disciple.

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- Who are some people that you can think of, that you want to tell about God's family?
- What is your favorite family activity? Why?
- What are some ways we can make other people feel like they belong to our family, and to God's family?

