

Baycities Lomita Winter/Spring 2020 Growth Groups

Series: "Rediscovering The Family" Part 1

Theme: "Lessons Learned From Imperfect Parents"- Week of Feb. 23, 2020

Follow-Up Bible Study and Discussion Questions

Summary- Lessons learned... looking back in the rear view mirror at your life... do you do that? We talked about parents learning about parenting that way, but in general, as Jesus followers, are you willing to learn from the past, your past? As a Jesus follower, will you take the advice that Jesus has already given on a host of issues and put them into play? It's really the way to live and live well for Him. Let's see how we're doing on all this!

GETTING TO KNOW YOU- Ice Breaker Time!

1. What's something in your house you want to get rid of but can't? (Please no naming your spouse or children!)

2. Who has been a spiritual hero in your life?

3. What is a significant lesson- learned from your life so far?

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1. Ben told us that looking back, taking advantage of lessons-learned, is a wise way to live as a Jesus follower in every area of life, parenting included. Also, taking God's Word as your guide and path forward, is how Jesus wants His followers to shape their opinions and inform their decisions. Look at the following verses and discuss what course of action each of these passages calls believers to do: (Some verses are about parenting & some are about general life)

Ephesians 4:26

And “don’t sin by letting anger control you. ”Don’t let the sun go down while you are still angry, (NLT)

Proverbs 22:6

Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it. (NLT)

Joshua 1:8

Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do. (NLT)

1Peter 2:13-16

For the Lord’s sake, submit to all human authority—whether the king as head of state, 14 or the officials he has appointed. For the king has sent them to punish those who do wrong and to honor those who do right. 15 It is God’s will that your honorable lives should silence those ignorant people who make foolish accusations against you. 16 For you are free, yet you are God’s slaves, so don’t use your freedom as an excuse to do evil. (NLT)

Eph.4:32

Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you. (NLT)

3. Reflect on some of the lessons learned that you have discovered over the years of your life in the following areas. Discuss what ones have most affected your life to the good.

Financial lessons learned-

Educational Lessons Learned-

Dating lessons learned-

Occupational Lessons Learned-

Marriage Lessons Learned-