

Baycities Lomita Winter/Spring 2020 Growth Groups
Series: “Rediscovering The Family” Part 3
Theme: “Rediscovering The Family Wisdom That Never Fails”
Week of Mar. 8, 2020

Follow-Up Bible Study and Discussion Questions

Summary- Ah, Family Wisdom... lots of it out there, every family has an aunt or an uncle with their theories on how the family ought to be run, how the kids should act, etc. But where is there info and advice that is timeless and good to go? Where can I find the answers to my basic questions about the family? Thank God He loves the family... and in fact, it was His idea in the first place! Jesus has what we're looking for in His words. Let's hunt a few of them down and get answers to our questions about the family and family life.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU- Ice Breaker Time!

- 1. What is one thing you really like about yourself?**
- 2. What advice would you give a new Christian?**
- 3. What is one piece of marriage or child raising advice that you have heard/know that you would pass along because you liked it so much?**

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1. Let's begin with some questions that seek out your opinion about marriage and family life.

- a. Looking at marriage, what do you like most about it?
- b. What's the least favorable thing about marriage to as you look forward?
- c. What about your life (vocation, personality, thinking, manners, attitudes, etc.) makes you a great marriage or potentially great partner right now?
- d. And, in contrast, what is one thing about you that could use some improvement to make you a better marriage partner?

2. Looking at the following verses, what do we learn about marriage and marriage relationships and child raising from them?

- a. **Eph. 5:21** And further, submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. 22 For wives, this means submit to your husbands as to the Lord. 23 For a husband is the head of his wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savior of his body, the church. 24 As the church submits to Christ, so you wives should submit to your husbands in everything. 25 For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her... 31As the Scriptures say, “A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.” 32 This is a great mystery, but it is an illustration of the way Christ and the church are one. 33 So again I say, each man must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband

- b. **Eph. 6:4** Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord.

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3. Jesus used an analogy that every adult in the crowd would get as He welcomed little children to Him. Discuss what this teaching tells us about believing in Jesus.

- a. Matt. 18:3 Then he said, “I tell you the truth, unless you turn from your sins and become like little children, you will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven.

4. Do you have any questions about the subject of marriage or child raising that we have not covered that you'd like an answer to in the near future?