
CONNECT BREAK THE ICE AND GET PEOPLE TALKING

- Have you ever seen the show “Family Matters”? Did you like it?
- What are your parents like?
- Discipleship check-in (at the bottom of this guide!)

INTRODUCTION

Family matters. It matters because all of us come from a family despite how different they may look. It matters because God created family to be a blessing to the world, but it can seem like they more often cause pain or hardship. Scripture has a lot to say about family. Last week, we explored what it means to be godly children. In today’s passage, God gives us a vision of what it means to be godly parents.

Before you dive in, take time to pray and invite the Spirit to aid you in seeing God’s vision for parents.

READ & DISCUSS

READ: Deuteronomy 6:4-12, 20-25

DISCUSS:

- What initial observations do you have about the passage?
- What does teaching your children about the commands of God look like in this passage?
- In verse 21, after the son asks a question, the parents respond by telling a story. What does this communicate about teaching children?

REFLECT & APPLY

DISCUSS:

- What do/would your children learn from you by seeing the things you love and hearing the stories you tell?
- When our loves are misplaced or our stories are teaching the wrong lessons, we must be reminded of the incredible grace of Christ. His is the greatest story and the most perfect love. How can/could you make the story of Christ a regular story heard in your house?

PRAY

Praise Jesus who makes us a part of the greatest story. Pray that we would be parents who share the story of Christ in every area of our lives.

Discipleship Check-In

- Have you prayed and read your Bible consistently the past week?
- Who is someone you're praying to share Jesus with this week, and what's one way you can love them well?