

PARENTING ON PURPOSE

SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM

Session 2: The Marriage Centered Home

Big Idea

The most important gift we will ever give our children is a healthy and happy marriage. Our children witnessing our love and commitment for one another will produce a sense of safety and confidence. Essentially, adding greater value to our marriage will bring even more joy for our children. Keeping God the focal point of marriage and family will help us draw closer to Him and to our spouse—equipping us to weather any storm.

Discussion Questions

1. According to Pastor Chris, “Kids need the confidence that Mom and Dad love each other.” What are ways you can display to your children that Mom and Dad love each other?
2. It is important for parents to be good examples of living in healthy relationships. In your life, where do you need to strengthen your relationships with others and with the Lord so that you can set the example for your children?
3. All of us need encouragement. Share a time when someone encouraged you and how it impacted you. How are you currently speaking words of encouragement into your children?
4. What are the qualities you want your family to be remembered for? How are you applying those qualities in your everyday life?

Next Steps

Demonstrating love to your spouse in front of your children will nourish, enrich, and promote a life-giving home. Remember that your family thrives on encouragement and experiences that bring laughter just as much as confronting problems and behavioral issues. The greatest security you can give your home is keeping God the center of your life and your family. A “God first” environment will lend more confidence and a clearer perspective to your family’s day-to-day life.

Scripture

“Those who fear the Lord are secure; he will be a refuge for their children.”

Proverbs 14:26