

PARENTING ON PURPOSE

SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM

Session 8: Where Do We Go From Here?

Big Idea

So where do we go from here? In this final session, we will be discussing the grand overview of parental, marital, and family goals. Parents have to be role models. Your children need to look and see someone they can esteem and respect in the home, as well as other areas of society. You will discover that your calendar and time management will have a great influence on your family. Finally, you will find that being the priest of your home is necessary in leading your family well.

Discussion Questions

1. Pastor Chris encouraged us to spend half as much money on our children and twice as much time. All of us struggle with things that “steal” our time. As a group, discuss practical ways to make sure our time and energy reflect our priorities.
2. What family traditions are you currently doing that you want to continue? What new traditions are you seeking to add?
3. All of us have different perspectives. What does a life-giving home look like to you?
4. What are the big take-aways God showed you this semester in Parenting on Purpose?

Next Steps

Now that you have a greater grasp and understanding of what the Lord intended for parenting and family, monitoring, tweaking, and fine tuning these key areas will be a helpful thermometer for how you steward the spiritual health of your children and family. Parenting will not always be perfect, but it is crucial that you parent carefully, understanding the irreplaceable role that God has given you and your spouse. Making the most of these parenting opportunities is what God has asked of you. Remember that His grace will cover all else.

Prayer Focus

“So be careful how you live. Don’t live like fools, but like those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Don’t act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.”

Ephesians 5:15-17

Leader Tip

Plan an end of the semester fellowship for your group. Give group members the opportunity to share all that God has done in their lives during this semester. Celebrate together!