



Google Parenting

January 13 – January 20

This sermon study is designed to be used the week after the sermon it supplements. Use the left side of this sheet to prepare for your group time. Use the right side to facilitate your group discussion. The purpose of this guide is to help your group, collectively and individually, grow closer to Jesus.

INTENTIONAL LEADERSHIP

- **Pray** that the members of your group will be in tune with God's best for them and their families during this series.
- **Evaluate** where your group members are on their spiritual journey. **Identify the next step towards growth** that you can help them take.
- Choose a part of your life group time this week (perhaps prayer) that you can **hand-off** to a person you see leading a group one day. Text them before your group meets to let them know you will be asking for their help!

RELATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

- Try to text or call each person in your group this week to see how you can pray for them.
- **Weekly Leader Tip:** Do not let anyone dominate conversation. If someone gets to that point, wait for a split second window of time to invite someone else into the conversation. *"Sally, what do you think about this topic? John, do you have anything you want to add?"*
- Start your time with a conversation about New Year goals and resolutions.

PLANNED SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE

Talk with your group about planning a week for sharing everyone's story of life change in 2017. Pausing to reflect helps us to see where God has been at work in our present. A good prompting question might be, *"Where did you see God most at work in your life in 2017?"*

SERIES RECAP

During this series, we are talking about bringing real and authentic community to life for the whole family. As Christians, we want to move past our culture's shallow consumerism and into God's very best for us in our relationships with our friends, our children, our spouses, and our church community.

SERMON SUMMARY

As Christians, it is imperative that we are intentional about taking care of our families and leading them in godliness. When we believe and accept that God has entrusted our families to us, and we seek His help, we can play a crucial role in helping them to know and love God.

BIBLICAL FOUNDATION

Have someone in your group read Deuteronomy 6:4-9.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is this passage saying about godly families?
2. In what ways have you seen families around you live in light of this passage?
3. What would it look like for you to be more committed to your role in your family knowing and loving God?
4. What would change in our surrounding community if more families were intentional about living out this passage?
5. How do you think God is asking you to respond to the message this week?