

God & Family Series #1

Friendship & Dating

- 1. Apart from your spouse (if you're married), share who is your best (or close) friend and describe your relationship.
- 2. Read Proverbs 18:22-24. According to the proverb, what type of company should one keep?
- 3. Ps Jeremy spoke about Situationships from a thir.st article. Share your thoughts on "romantic relationships that lack clear commitment or parameters." (see https://thirst.sg/situationships-more-than-friendship-less-than-love/)
- 4. Do you agree that intention and clarity should be the foundation of every friendship or relationship?
- 5. Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-12. Friendships are God's gift to us, do you agree that God can be at the centre of every friendship (even with a non-Christian)? Why or why not?
- 6. Are there friendships or relationships that do not honour Christ? Share with one another how you can change that.

Verses that Ps Jeremy referenced in his sermon (in order of mention).

 Proverbs 18:22-24
 Psalm 1:1-2
 Genesis 24:56-58

 1 Corinthians 7:36
 Ecclesiastes 4:9-12
 John 15:14-15

 Psalm 37:4-5
 1 Corinthians 9:5
 1 Corinthians 7:39

Proverbs 31:30 Ephesians 5:22-27



God & Family Series #2

Expecting

1.	What are some expectations that you have of the people close to you (e.g.
	spouse, children, parents, 'best friends,' etc.)?	

- 2. What are some of the things in your marriage or family life that you have been expecting God to do that you need to surrender before God?
- 3. What can we do to surrender these things to God and wait with expectancy rather than expectation.
- 4. Are there some areas in your life (marriage and family) where God has been dethroned that you would like God to take central place in?
- 5. Are there some practical things we can do to put God first in our family life?
- 6. How can we as a church family support one another to grow in our expectancy of God?



God and Family Series #3 Sexuality

1.	What is your understanding of sexual ethics (God's design for sex, marriage and children), vs the sexual revolution (man's corrupted view of sex, marriage and children)?
2.	What is God's design for Marriage & Family? What are the benefits when man follows God's design? What are some examples of "Man's deviation" from God's design, and what are the costs/consequences to self, children and society when such deviations occur?
3.	What can we (as individuals and as the Church) do to "go back" to God's design for sexuality, marriage and family?
4.	What are the 4 quadrants (or 4 categories) of the LGBT community? How might we related or respond to each of them?
5.	What happens when we (as individuals and as the Church) respond with (i) "No Truth and No Compassion"; (ii) "No Truth but with Compassion"; (iii) "With Truth but no Compassion" and (iv) "With Truth and with Compassion"? What is the ideal?



God & Family Series #4 Faith in the Family

1.	What habits or patterns of intentional teaching do you currently practice or now intend to start in your family?
2.	How might you make space to be present to one another and for learning on the go to happen in your family?
3.	Reflect on your season of life as a spouse, parent, and/or disciple of Christ and consider if you've been surprised by or feel unready for this new season of life (e.g. going to college, starting working life, becoming first time parents, adjusting to children who are teenagers, children becoming adults, empty nesters, retirement, etc.).
4.	What might a plan for periodic check-ins and reflections with each other as couples/parents and/or a family look like for you?
5.	Share examples of how you've noticed your spouse, children, or other members of your extended family have demonstrated self-giving love and care to you.



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