



FOR CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSIONS AND FAMILY BIBLE STUDY.



HOME – (a family that wants you to grow):

14 June – Online Marriage Talk with Dave and Gill Hooper on Zoom.



UP – (let's worship God first):

Pray - Open up in a prayer of gratitude. What are you thankful for? (*Thankfulness towards God, cultivates a lifestyle of worship.*)



BACK – (let's reflect on last week):

Testimonies - Any testimonies for what you are thankful for? How did last week's lesson impact your life? Have you applied it in your life or shared it with someone else last week? (*Testimonies builds our faith and accountability cultivates a lifestyle of obedience.*)



IN – (together discover new truths):

Discover – What new truths can we learn from the following verses? (*Word based convictions, cultivates a lifestyle of truth and faith.*)

Ask someone in the group to read **Ephesians 2:13-19**. Maybe ask someone else to read it again in a different translation before you proceed.

1. We are Brought near and made members of the Household of God.

Eph 2:13-19 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, 15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, 16 and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. 17 And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. 18 For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. 19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

- What can we learn about the Father heart of God from this portion of Scripture?
- What is the Price God paid to bring us in as members of His household?

2. There are many “gods” in the World but to us there is ONE GOD.

1 Cor. 8:5-6 For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as there are many gods and many lords), 6 yet for us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and through whom we live.

- What is the nature and character of the One True God of the Bible?
- What is our purpose in this World according to this Scripture? Who are we to live for?
- Who paid the price for us to live?

3. We are the Sons and Daughters of God.

Rom 8:14-15 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

- According to these scriptures, what is the evidence that we are the sons of God?
- What is our greatest weapon and comfort in times of fear and uncertainty?
- Describe a moment in your life when you have experienced God as Father?

4. All things created through Him and For Him.

Col 1:15-18 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. 18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

- This is such a beautiful portion of scripture, as we read it together, which part struck your heart today?
- What does it mean that all things were created through Him and for Him?



OUT – (let’s apply what we have just learned):

Application – Reflecting on today’s scripture discoveries, what convicts you? What have you discovered about the Father Heart of God and our Purpose in this world?

Take some time and commit to allow these truths to transform you. How will you apply what you have learned?

Are you ready to live as a member of the household of God and be a prophetic display of who God is and how we can live in relationship with Him?

Pray for one another for areas of specific need and ask the Father to provide the solution as only He can.