How to use the weekly guide: Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. If your group is new or very busy, utilize the main section questions to guide your group.

Week 4 Parenting

Moms and dads dream of a future where their kids become adults and still want to come home regularly to visit. As parents, there's something we can do to lay the foundation for that dream to become a reality

Connect - What was the high and low of your week?

• As a parent or person of influence, what's something you want to emulate or not emulate from your family of origin?

Learn - "What is God teaching you?"

Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-6.

- Which of these characteristics of love stands out to you? Why?
- Who do you know that represents these characteristics of love well?
- A parent's behavior (not advice) determines if their child wants to be like them or with them once they are free to choose for themselves. Does that statement resonate with you more as a parent or as a son/daughter?
- Parenting has the potential to bring out the ego in us, the fear in us, the insecurity in us, the anger in us and the ugly in us. Which one of those do you relate to most?

Apply - "What is God challenging you to do?"

• Would you say you need to extend more grace or truth toward others (especially kids if you have them)? In what areas are you more geared toward grace, and in what areas are you more geared toward truth?

Prayer - How can we pray for you?

• Take time to pray for these next steps and any additional prayer requests.

<u>Upcoming Events - myC3church.com/events</u>

Marriage Conference - Feb. 26th - 27th