

## SERMON NOTES

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**Date:** November 15, 2020

**Series:** God's Riches

**Title:** Family in Christ (Part 2)

**Text:** Ephesians 6:1-4

**Big Idea:** God desires to build Spirit-filled families where children obey and honor their parents, and fathers nurture their children.

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# APPLICATION GUIDE

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## DISCUSS

How is God a faithful Father to those in Christ (cf. Psalm 139:16-19; 1 John 5:14-15; 1 Peter 5:7; Matthew 7:5; Psalm 121:3-8; Hebrews 12:3-11; 1 John 1:9; Psalm 84:11; Numbers 23:19; 2 Corinthians 1:20)?

How does the goal of faithfulness differ from other goals a parent may have (cf. Matthew 25:21; Romans 12:1; 1 Corinthians 10:31)?

What are the basic responsibilities parents have toward their children (cf. Job 1:51; Proverbs 20:7; 22:6; 1 Timothy 5:8)?

## APPLY THE TRUTH

How have your goals differed from God's goals for your family?

In what ways do you tend to be physically present but functionally distant from the members of your family?

How do you tend to provoke those in your home to anger and discouragement (cf. Proverbs 10:12; 15:1, 18; 28:25; 29:22)?

What needs to change in your attitudes and actions so that you can be more nurturing toward those in your home?

## COMMIT THIS WEEK

The people in your home provide urgent and accessible mission field you could ever be called to serve. Spend time praying for their souls and for their growth in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the glory of the Father (2 Peter 3:18).