



CONNECT GROUP GUIDE

Connect Group Guide: WK 5 Home Wreckers: Passive Parenting

READ: Deuteronomy 6:1-9, Judges 2:6-12

1. Deuteronomy 6 begins with parents loving God before teaching their children about Him. How is your own relationship with Jesus shaping the way you parent, grandparent, mentor, or influence the next generation?
2. Judges 2 describes a generation that “knew neither the Lord nor what He had done.” What are some practical ways we can intentionally pass on the story of God’s faithfulness to the next generation rather than assuming they will learn it somewhere else?
3. The sermon described two extremes: parenting out of abundance (over-controlling) and parenting out of abandonment (disengagement). Which extreme are you most tempted toward, and how does the gospel help bring balance between truth and grace?
4. The gospel reminds us that our children do not need perfect parents; they need parents who point them to a perfect Savior. How does this truth free us from guilt, fear, or the pressure to “get everything right”?
5. The TRAIN acronym emphasized relationship over rules. How does God’s relationship with us through Christ help us understand the purpose of boundaries, discipline, and obedience in our homes?
6. Hebrews teaches that God disciplines those He loves. What is the difference between discipline motivated by love and punishment motivated by anger? How have you experienced God’s loving discipline in your own life?
7. The sermon ended by reminding us that the greatest gift we can give our children is Jesus. What specific steps can you take this week to intentionally point your children, grandchildren, or other young people in your life toward Christ?

Application Question:

8. Where is God calling you to take a more intentional role in discipling the next generation, and what is one practical action you will take this week to obey Him?

Deeper Theological Questions

1. The sermon emphasized that before we are parents, we are sinners in need of a Savior and children adopted by God. How does understanding our identity as adopted sons and daughters of God shape the way we view our role as parents and the way we relate to our children?
2. Throughout Scripture, God’s covenant faithfulness extends from generation to generation, yet Judges 2 shows that faith cannot simply be inherited. What does this teach us about the relationship between God’s sovereignty in salvation and our responsibility to disciple the next generation? How should this truth affect both our parenting and our prayers for our children?

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Heart and Soul
 - Sunday, June 14th @ 5pm
 - Sunday, June 28th @ 5pm

