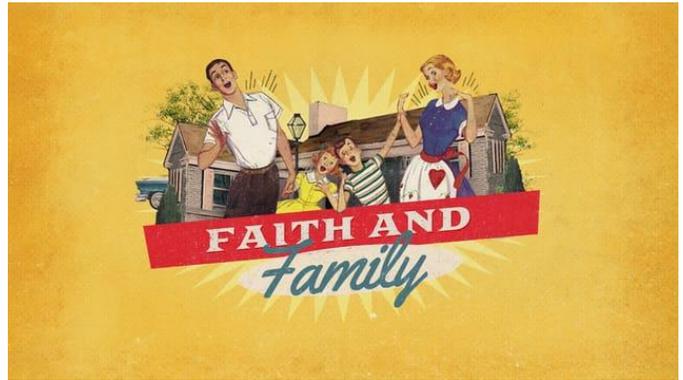


Royal Redeemer Going Deeper Guide

Based on the sermon for October 30, 2022
Faith and Family: Family in Faith

For personal reflection or for use as a devotion with CGS Community or family



- **CONNECT** with each other
 - How have you seen or experienced faith dividing a family?

- **GROW** in Christ

Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. 21 When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.”

22 And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.”

23 So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. 26 And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come.

Mark 3:20-26

1. What strikes you about this passage? What questions do you have?
2. When we experience division in family over faith...
 - Understand first.
 - i. Read Colossians 4:3. Our job is to listen. God’s job is to open the door for a conversation.
 - How have you seen God open doors for conversations about faith in your life?
 - Live out your faith.
 - i. Read 1 Peter 3:15-16 and Colossians 4:5-6. As we talk about faith, we must be gentle, faithful, kind, and respectful.
 - ii. How have you seen faith conversations handled? What impacted your perspective of those conversations?
 - iii. What are some ways you can respond to faith questions in a gentle, faithful, kind, and respectful way?
 - Cling to faith.
 - i. Read Mark 3:20-21. Here we see Jesus’ own family saying He is “out of his mind”. So, Jesus understands what it means to have conflict in your family over faith. In those situations, the most powerful thing we can do is cling to our faith!
 1. Have you ever had to choose loyalty between Jesus or your family? How did

- you handle the situation?
2. What hope do you find in knowing even Jesus was divided with His family over faith?
- ii. Read Proverbs 3:5-6.
1. In what ways do you struggle to trust God with everything?
 2. How can you apply this Scripture to your life today?

- **SERVE** *others*

- Divided families can be like a game of jenga; unstable, poking holes, competitive. How can you live out grace in the midst of a family crisis?

- **End with Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, or a short blessing.**