

**Royal Redeemer
Going Deeper Guide**

Based on the sermon for August 1, 2021:
Parenting in the 21st Century: Success



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

● **CONNECT** *with each other*

1. Share a high or a low from the last week.

● **GROW** *in Christ*

For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

Romans 8:20-21

1. What grade would you give your parents? What is one thing they did well? What is one thing they might have done differently or better?
2. In Romans 8 Paul describes our world as disordered. One aspect of that disorder disturbs you the most right now? What is one way you have experienced that disorder in your family relationships?
3. What are a couple of ways you see social media contributing to the disorder of our world? What is one way parents can help their children navigate the difficult waters of social media?
4. How might each of your parents completed this sentence: *Success for us as a family means...* How would you complete that sentence today?
5. What examples of dysfunctional families can you think of in the Bible? If there is so much dysfunction, how are families to learn from the Bible how to be the family God desires them to be? How do the ideal and the real play into this question?

● **SERVE** *others*

To be a grace-centered family is to keep grace at the center of our relationships. Which of your family relationships today could use a dose of grace; either the grace of taking the first step or the grace of letting go?

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