

# LIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42

## SERIES: Family Matters

MESSAGE TITLE:
The Foundation of Every Home

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In this message, Pastor Matt emphasizes the importance of building a firm foundation for families, drawing from personal stories and popular TV shows to highlight the challenges and significance of family. He stresses the need to base family life on God's teachings, comparing it to a house built on rock. Pastor Matt provides practical advice on prioritizing God in parenting, encouraging consistency, vulnerability, and intentional actions to nurture strong family relationships. The message concludes with a call to action for individuals to commit to God and take responsibility for leading their families.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

1.) Why is it important to build our families on a strong foundation?

Pastor Matt emphasized the importance of a strong foundation for families in order to withstand the storms of life.

What are some storms of life you've experienced and how did your family's foundation help or hinder your response?

2.) What does Matthew 7:24-25 teach us about the importance of building our lives on the foundation of God?

The verse compares a house built on solid rock to one built on sand, emphasizing the importance of a solid foundation..

In what ways have you seen the truth of this scripture in your own life or in the lives of others?

3.) How can we prioritize our relationship with God and make him the foundation of our lives?

Matt used the analogy of a stack of books, with Jesus as the bottom book and other priorities and hobbies stacked on top.

What are some practical ways you can prioritize God in your daily life and family interactions?



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4.) What are some examples of intentional parenting and family activities that prioritize God and his teachings?

Pastor Matt suggested activities like family dinners, car rides, and date nights with children as opportunities to prioritize God.

What other creative ways can you incorporate God-centered conversations and teachings in your family's daily routine?

5.) Why is vulnerability an important aspect of parenting, and how can we practice it with our children?

Pastor Matt spoke about the importance of being open and honest with our children about our own imperfections and mistakes.

What are some ways you can demonstrate vulnerability and openness with your children or other family members?