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BIG TRUTH: FAMILIES ARE BROKEN BY SIN

Genesis 37:4; Matthew 10:21; Luke 21:16

BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 3:12; 4:9-10

"The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me the fruit of the tree, and I ate."
"Then the Lord said to Cain, 'Where is Abel your brother?' He said, 'I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?' And the Lord said, 'What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand."

BIG IDEAS

- Sin leads families to reject God's provision.
- Sin fractures relationships with those we love.
- Sin causes us to see our family as a barrier to our joy.

BIBLE PASSAGE: GENESIS 3:1-24; 4:1-12

UNITE - I AM PART OF A FAMILY

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- Family exists for God.
- Their heart was bought with a price.
- God is building His family through adoption.



Every student should strive to...

- Memorize Romans 8.
- Do one new thing each week to honor their parents or siblings.
- Find one new way to love and serve their church family.



Every student should feel...

- Broken over the ways that sin has fractured their family and the family of God.
- Hope that one day, their adoption as sons and daughters of God will be fully realized



Every student should want...

- To glorify God in their families.
- To see their family, and the church family, as gifts from God.
- To share the truth that Jesus made our adoption possible with someone

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter the ways that sin breaks families. We will pray with them for our families to be united and living in harmony. We will lead them to practice loving family members and living in peace.

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Read and meditate on Genesis 3:1-23 and 4:1-12 this week.

As you read these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

• How can you discuss with your child some of the ways that sin has broken the family? What are some examples from our society that show the brokenness of family? How can you model pursuing peace in the family?

Consider how you can teach your son or daughter what it means to pursue peace in the family. How can you help your son or daughter see that families bring joy to our lives?



Spend time in prayer for your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to help your son or daughter see the joy that family brings.
- Spend time praying with your student this week. As you pray with them, model praying for grace and wisdom to live with your family in peace.



Discuss with your son or daughter some ways that sin breaks our family relationships.

- Share with your son or daughter ways that you have redeemed a broken family relationship. Help them come up with ways that they can live in peace with their siblings and you.
- Discuss with your student ways that he or she can choose to find joy in their family. Help them make a list of the ways their families bring them joy.