

THE CHURCH IS FAMILY

BIG TRUTH: THE CHURCH IS FAMILY

Ephesians 2:19; 1 John 3:14; 5:1

BIBLE VERSE: GALATIANS 6:10

“So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

BIG IDEAS

- God’s family is devoted to pursuing spiritual growth with one another.
- God’s family shares their lives with one another.
- God’s family is committed to pursue holiness with one another.

BIBLE PASSAGE: GALATIANS 6:1-18

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...

- The church is a family.
- The church is given by God.
- The church exists for God.



Every student should feel...

- Thankful for the unique ways God has gifted them and their church.
- Appreciation for the elders and leaders that God has gifted their church.



Every student should strive to...

- Prioritize gathering to worship each week with their church family.
- Learn more about membership in their local church.
- Do something to intentionally serve someone in their church family each week



Every student should want...

- To devote themselves to pursue holiness with their church family.
- To have their lives be marked by love for the church.
- To live in a way that is sacrificial and generous for the good of others and the glory of God

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter what the pursuit of holiness looks like. We will pray that they will join with other believers in pursuing spiritual growth. We will lead them to pursue holiness with the body of Christ.

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Read and meditate on Galatians 6:1-18 this week.

As you meditate on these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

- How can you model being devoted to pursue spiritual growth with the family of God? How can you discuss with your son or daughter what it means to pursue personal holiness?

Consider how you can discuss with your son or daughter the ways the family of God live their lives together. How can you model living life with other believers?



Set aside a time to pray for your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray, model asking the Holy Spirit to help you pursue personal holiness.
- Pray with your son or daughter this week. As you pray together, ask the Holy Spirit to help your son or daughter share his or her life with other believers.



Help your son or daughter make a list of ways that he or she can practically pursue holiness with other believers.

- Help your son or daughter make a list of attitudes or thoughts that keep them from pursuing holiness with others.
- Discuss with your son or daughter some of the ways you share your life with other believers. Help your son or daughter think of a few ways he or she can live life with others.
- Discuss with your student practical ways he or she can share the burdens of other believers. Talk about the importance of doing so and help them choose a few ways to practice it this week.