



God's Family

Family Fundamentals

Key Scripture

Proverbs 4:3 NCV

It takes wisdom to have **a good family**, and it takes understanding **to make it strong**.

Your Important In God's Family

2 Samuel 7:18-19 ERV

18 Then King David went in and sat in front of the Lord. David said, "Lord God, why am I so important to You? **Why is my family important? Why have you made me so important?**
19 I am nothing but a servant, but Lord God, you have also said these kind things about my future family. Lord God, you don't always talk like this to people, do You?

Why the family important To God?

Prepare for a blessing

✓ **Honor God by treating people better than they deserve.**

1 Peter 3:9 NLT

Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, **pay them back with a blessing**. That is what God has called you to do, and **He will bless you** for it.

✓ **Honor God by caring for other family members.**

1 Peter 3:7 TLB

...Remember that **you and your wife are partners in receiving God's blessings**, and if you don't treat her as you should, your prayers will not get ready answers.

✓ **Honor God with your giving.**

Malachi 3:10 CEV

Bring the entire ten percent into the storehouse, so there will be food in My house. Then I will **open the windows of heaven and flood you with blessing after blessing**.

✓ **Honor God by taking Him at His Word.**

2 Samuel 7:28-29 ERV

28 Lord God, you are God, **and I can trust what You say**. And you said that these good things will happen to me, your servant. 29 **Now, please, bless my family**. Let them stand before You and serve You forever. Lord God, You Yourself said these things. **You yourself blessed my family with a blessing that will continue forever**.

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Family Fundamentals...

1. Live Out A Real Faith

Joshua 24:15 NLT

...But **as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord**.

2. Create Family Margins

Psalms 39:5 TLB

My whole lifetime is but a moment to You. Proud man! Frail as breath!
A shadow! And **all his busy rushing ends in nothing**

Ecclesiastes 4:6 GNT

...it is better to have only a little, with peace of mind, **than be busy all the time** with both hands, trying to catch the wind.

3. Help Your Family Discover Purpose

Romans 8:28 NLT

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of **those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them**.

1 Corinthians 14:26 ERV

...The **purpose** of whatever you do should be **to help everyone grow stronger in faith**.

4. Choose Life Giving Relationships

Proverbs 27:19 TLB

A mirror reflects a man's face,
but **what he is really like is shown by the kind of friends he chooses**.

Proverbs 13:20m Message

Become wise by walking with the wise; hang out with fools and watch your life fall to pieces.

5. Receive God's Grace and Give It To Others.

Ephesians 4:31-32 GNT

31 Get rid of all bitterness, passion, and anger. No more shouting or insults, no more hateful feelings of any sort. 32 Instead, be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and **forgive one another, as God has forgiven you through Christ**.

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