



Key Scripture:

Proverbs 4:3 NCV

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

Extended Family

Ezra 3:8-9 Message

8 In the second month of the second year after their arrival at The Temple of God in Jerusalem, Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua son of Jozadak, in company with their brother priests and Levites and everyone else who had come back to Jerusalem from captivity, got started. They appointed the Levites twenty years of age and older to direct the rebuilding of The Temple of God. 9 Jeshua and his family joined Kadmiel, Binnui, and Hodaviah, along with the extended family of Henadad — all Levites — to direct the work crew on The Temple of God.

Family Bonds

✓ **We all have come out of captivity.**

Galatians 5:1 CEV

Christ has set us free! This means we are really free.

✓ **We are appointed to build on the existing foundation.**

1 Corinthians 3:11 NIV

For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

✓ **We are to work together on the Temple of God.**

1 Peter 2:2 CEV

And now you are living stones that are being used to build a spiritual house.

Extended Family...

John 10:14-16 NLT

14 "I am the good shepherd; I know My own sheep, and they know Me, 15 just as My Father knows Me and I know the Father. So I sacrifice My life for the sheep.

16 I have other sheep, too, that are not in this sheepfold. I must bring them also.

They will listen to My voice, and there will be one flock with one shepherd.

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God's Family

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Extending God's Family

1. Starts in relationships.

Ezra 3:8a Message

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John 1:38-39 NLT

38 Jesus looked around and saw them following. "What do you want?" He asked them. They replied, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" 39 "Come and see," He said.

It was about four o'clock in the afternoon when they went with Him to the place where He was staying, and they remained with Him the rest of the day.

2. Grows with discipleship.

Ezra 3:8b Message

They appointed the Levites twenty years of age and older to direct the rebuilding of The Temple of God.

2 Timothy 2:2 NLT

You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.

3. Multiplies through partnership.

Ezra 3:9 Message

Jeshua and his family joined Kadmiel, Binnui, and Hodaviah, along with the extended family of Henadad — all Levites — to direct the work crew on The Temple of God.

John 15:5 Message

"I am the Vine, you are the branches. When you're joined with Me and I with you, the relation intimate and organic, the harvest is sure to be abundant. Separated, you can't produce a thing.

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