

The Church We See – Celebrating Family

Pastor Ernest Smith – May 11th, 2025

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Open your group in prayer and remember that this is only a guide. Feel free to discuss each of the questions provided or simply dive deeper into just one. If you only have a few minutes, you can just use the 3 Essential Questions.

Scriptures:

- **Matthew 12: 46-50**

Three Essential Questions

The following questions are intended to be open-ended and encourage members to consider how they felt and what they, or the group, can do as a result of hearing the message.

1. **What did you hear?** *What point in this message was most impactful for you?*
2. **What do you think?** *How did this message challenge, change, or affirm your thinking?*
3. **What will you do?** *How will you or your group put into practice what you've learned today?*

Message Points/Extra Questions

1. What does the term "family" mean to you?
2. How has your personal family experience shaped your view on the importance of family?
3. In Matthew 12:46-50, Jesus presents a new understanding of family. What does it mean to you that faith in Christ creates a new family?
4. Reflect on the three core components Ernest mention: Belong, Believe, and Become. Why is each important?
5. What does "belonging" to a family mean?
6. Discuss how you can "become" in the context of the family of God. What actions can you take to live out shared values and beliefs?