

Leadership Small Group Guide

Warm-up Question: (Choose one, make up your own, or skip this part all together, depending upon the nature of your group.)

1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? Are you close to any of them?
2. Do you like your last name?

Read the following passage: Mark 3:31-35.

Questions for Discussion (Choose several that are relevant for your group):

1. In the Bible, three important themes emerge related to our purpose as humans: We were made for God; we were made for mission; and we were made for family. To what extent are you investing time and energy in each of these areas?
2. What is our responsibility to our natural families? Do you feel that you are fulfilling your responsibility to your natural family?
3. Do you find it easy or difficult to honor your mother and father? Explain.
4. In what sense does spiritual family take priority over natural family? What are some misapplications of this principle?
5. What does it mean to value spiritual family? What are some ways our commitment to our spiritual family should impact our decision making?
6. Do you invest time and money in your local church? Explain.
7. Do you “identify” with a local church? Explain.
8. Why is it important for us to pursue reconciliation with a brother or sister in Christ when there is a fracture in the relationship?

Pray