

Getting To Know You

1. What was your family dynamics growing up? Explain. Was God apart of it?
2. What is the legacy your parents or grandparents established? What legacy are you establishing for your kids or grandkids?
3. John Eldridge said, ““The balancing act we parents attempt is convincing our children: 1. You are loved more than you can imagine. 2. The world does not revolve around you.” Thoughts? Agree? Disagree?
4. Paul David Tripp said, “God didn’t give you your children to build your reputation but to publicly proclaim his”. Thoughts? Agree? Disagree?
5. Looking back at your notes from this week’s sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

Digging Deeper

1. What are some God given responsibilities for parents? What texts or passages speak to these responsibilities? Who is primarily responsible for the spiritual development of children? Explain.
2. How does Cross Church partner with families to help facilitate these God given responsibilities? How does our Orange curriculum and Parent Que provide resources to help families raise their children in a Christ-centered environment? How does the church (light/yellow) and the home (heart/red) coming together create orange?
3. What does 2 Timothy 3:10-17 say? Who were the individuals that have spoken into Timothy’s life? What did it produce? In what ways should this be replicated in our homes? What did Lois and Eunice establish for Timothy? What legacy did they leave? What did Paul do for Timothy? What was their relationship? How did Paul view Timothy?

As parents, what legacy are you leaving? Are you establishing for your kids what Lois and Eunice did for Timothy? What is required on your part? Explain. Do your kids have any Paul’s in their lives? If so, who? How many godly voices do they having speaking into them?

What are some ways that you could be a Paul or a godly voice in the life of the Kids @ Cross Church? How important is a multi-generational church? What are the roles of the older generation speaking into the younger? What are some ways that we could be even more intentional about this? Explain.

4. What is the nature of every child? Why is it important to parent your children according to their nature? What are some ways that we can miss the mark on this?

What does Psalm 51 say? What are the circumstances that led to David writing this Psalm? What is the nature of sin? What is the source of sin? How should the consequences of our sin cause us to run to the grace of God? Explain.

What can we learn from David? Do you parent according to your child's nature? Why is it important to acknowledge that as parents we are sinful and that our kids are sinful? Explain. What does grace based parenting look like? How does God parent us?

5. What does 2 Samuel 6:11 say? Do you want God's blessing in your home? How do we experience the blessings of God in our home? Explain. How important is it for our family to go to God's house? Explain. What do we miss out on when God isn't a part of our home and we are not a part of His house? Should we ever expect to experience God's blessings when He isn't a priority in our lives? Explain.

What are some ways that God can become more of a priority in your home? What are some spiritual disciplines that you need to model for your children?

6. What does Deuteronomy 6 say? What are the responsibilities of parents? What are they supposed to do for their children? When and how is this to be done? What role did the community play in this? How was corporate worship viewed? How was the larger community (family, kinsman, tribe, nation) to be apart of this? Explain.

Growing Closer

1. Who is someone you shared the gospel with this week?
2. What have you been reading in your quiet times?
3. What has God been teaching you?