The Other 6: Family

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**Life Group Discussion Questions:**

1. Thinking back on this week’s sermon, was there a particular point or passage that challenged you, confused you, or caught your attention?
2. Brian asked, “do you ever experience seasons where you’re showing grace and kindness and patience with people in public, yet are struggling to show those things at home? Why does it sometimes seem like we’re more Christ like with acquaintances than we are with the people we say we love the most?” Be honest and share examples in your own life.
3. Read **Deuteronomy 6:4-9**. What is the great command given here? In what context does God instruct us to live this out? How is that going in your home?
4. Brian said that “the home is where your most authentic spiritual life is displayed.” If your family were sitting here, what would they say about your relationship with the Lord?
5. Keeping **Deuteronomy 6:4-**9 in mind, read  **Psalm 119:32 and Philippians 3:12-14.** As we consider God’s purpose for our lives, how do our families figure into the plan?
6. Read **Ephesians 5:25-27** and **6:1-4**. What are practical ways to live out these verses with our families?
7. What if your family is broken and hearts are hurting? Read  **Psalm 127:1** and **2 Corinthians 12:9**. What would it look like for grace to be the basis of all our relationships? How do you reflect Christ in your relationships? In what ways do you need to grow? Consider asking the group to holding you accountable to taking steps toward growing in love, grace, forgiveness, etc.

**Next Steps:** How can you prioritize your family and live out your faith in a way that reflects Christ? Does something need to change in your schedule or initiate a conversation or ask for forgiveness.

**Prayer Thought:** Pray for your families and for you as a parent, spouse, child, etc.

God, you are a good Father and we want our lives to reflect the love and mercy and grace that you have so freely given us. Lord, humble our hearts, teach us your ways, lead us to be godly and good in our family relationships. Amen.