

## Announcements

### **MONTHLY GAME NIGHT** ON THE SECOND SATURDAY EVERY MONTH FROM 7PM - 9PM

**IT'S BACK: October 11th**  
**BRING YOUR FRIENDS,**  
**BOARD GAMES,**  
**& VIDEO GAMES!**



### **Membership & Church Information Class** **Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>** **1:00pm – 4:00pm in Fellowship Hall**

- ➡ What does this church believe?
- ➡ What is the leadership structure here?
- ➡ How do I get involved?



*Join us as we answer these  
questions and many more!!*



**don't be  
left out...  
Sign up!**

### Contact Us

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Mon, Thu & Fri -- 1pm - 5pm

#### **Church Office Phone & Email:**

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**we desire to see people..**

*entering new life in Christ,  
embracing life-principles of Christ, and  
empowered for life service by Christ*

**October 5, 2025**

#### Elders

**Pastor Norman Carlisle** Lead Pastor  
**Rev. Mike Henderson** Associate Pastor  
**Martin Rosario**  
**Jamie Sumner**  
**Enoch Whipple**

**Youth Director/  
Assistant to the Pastor**

**Tim Corbett**

#### Deacons

**James Odinyo** Lead Deacon  
**Hannah Bovard**  
**Tim Corbett**  
**Kriss Olivo**  
**Kathy Pedri**  
**Michele Schneck**

#### Ministers:

**ALL BELIEVERS**



Current Series:  
**The Book of  
Romans**  
In Fellowship Hall

**Lifeinary**  
*Theology learned and lived!*  
**9:30am**  
for all ages

Current Series:  
**Grasping God's  
Word**  
In Youth Room

### Worship Service

**10:30am**

- Fellowship (in Fellowship hall)
- Welcome & Announcements Ben Bovard
- Opening Song Music Team
- Scripture Reading & Prayer Tim Corbett
- Message Pastor Norman
- Praise & Ministry Music Team
- Closing Prayer Tim Corbett

\*additional overflow seating available down in Fellowship Hall

### Children's Info

#### Infants & Nursing Mothers

Nursery Downstairs under Foyer

#### Children's Church (18mo - 6th grade)

Check-in available in Classrooms Upstairs

### Offering

If you would like to give an **Offering** today, please place it in one of the boxes in the **Sanctuary** with your name clearly printed on your envelope. You can also give **Online** through the church **Website** or **App**.



## The Week Ahead...



### Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday School - 9:30am** in Fellowship Hall  
**Sunday Morning Service - 10:30am**

### Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup>

**Staff Meeting - 3pm** in Pastor's Study  
**Home Group - 6:30pm** at The Gross'

### Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

**AWANA - 6pm**  
**Home Group - 7pm** at The Schneck's

### Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

**Foundation Youth Group - 7pm** in Youth Room

### Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>

**Youth For Christ - 5:30pm** in Fellowship Hall & Youth Rm  
**Manna Women's Study - 7pm** in Fellowship Hall

### Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

**Rooted: Young Adult Study - 7pm** in Youth Room

### Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>

**Men's Day Retreat - 6:30am** meet at church  
**Music Practice - 6pm** in Sanctuary  
**Game Night - 7pm** in Fellowship Hall

## Hebrews 13:20-21<sup>(NASB)</sup>

<sup>20</sup> Now may the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, that is, Jesus our Lord,  
<sup>21</sup> equip you in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Amen

## ***Discussion Guide***

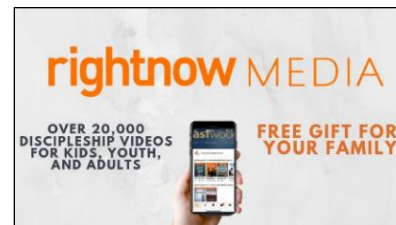
Date: October 5, 2025

Sermon Title: "Family Matters"



### **More about Home Groups...**

We encourage everyone to be a part of a small group community to deepen your relationship with Christ and His church. If you're interested in knowing more, please check the website or contact the Church Office.



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## **SCRIPTURE REFERENCES** (NASB unless otherwise noted)

### **Matthew 13:53-58**

**53** When Jesus had finished these parables, He departed from there.

**54** And He came to His hometown and began teaching them in their synagogue, with the result that they were astonished, and said, "Where did this man acquire this wisdom and these miraculous powers?"

**55** Is this not the carpenter's son? Is His mother not called Mary, and His brothers, James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas?

**56** And His sisters, are they not all with us? Where then did this man acquire all these things?"

**57** And they took offense at Him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not dishonored except in his hometown and in his own household."

**58** And He did not do many miracles there because of their unbelief.

### **Luke 2:41-47**

### **Mark 6:3**

### **John 8:19**

### **Mark 3:21**

### **John 6:38-42**

### **John 7:15**

## **OPENING DISCUSSION**

1. What was the main thing you learned from the sermon?
2. What questions do you have about anything that was raised during the message?

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. What was it like in your family when you were growing up?
2. In what ways did the community you grew up in impact you? Consider:
  - ◆Population ◆City/rural ◆School ◆Friends
  - ◆Relatives ◆Sports ◆Events
3. What aspects of Christ's humanity do you have difficulty grasping?
4. When Jesus returned to his hometown, what do you think your expectations of Jesus would be if you had grown up with Him?
5. What things do you try to keep from changing in your life?
6. What are some steps of faith you have avoided in the past, or need to take now?
7. Why determines whether we celebrate or whether we are negative about local people who have made something of their lives?
8. What are your family dynamics today and how do they hinder or help you in:
  - In Life?
  - In ministry?
  - In Christian character?

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