# KNOWING JESUS

IN RELATION TO FAMILY MATTER

### EPHESIANS 6:4

• Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

# CCIC BELIEVES;

- CHRIST IS OUR CENTRE,
- LOVE IS OUR BOND,
- GOSPEL IS OUR MISSION.

#### HOW TO HAVE A DEEP IMPACT IN YOUR FAMILY?

- 1. MODELLING BY EXAMPLE.
- 2. OPEN COMMUNICATION.
- 3. TIME WITH QUALITY AND QUANTITY.
- 4. INTIMACY.
- 5. VISION.
- 6. AFFIRMATION.

## **AFFIRMATION**

- What is affirmation?
- Affirmation is a words of encouragement.
- It is uplifting to those heard it.
- It is a positive declaration not negative.
- It helps people to see their potential.

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- What is affirmation.
- It speak life and hope.
- It enlightens people about their future.
- It has power to open the Spiritual eye of the man.

#### 1. THE DIVINE AFFIRMATION OF THE FATHER.

- Mark 1:11
- "<sup>10</sup> Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup> And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

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- 1. The Divine Affirmation. This is the voice of God the Father publicly affirming Jesus.
- This shows the trinitarian nature of God. Father, Son, Holy Spirit.
- 2. Jesus' Divine Identity. "You are my beloved Son". God declares Jesus as His Son, affirming both His divinity and His unique relationship with the Father.

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- 3. <u>Divine Approval</u>. "With you I am well pleased" This is a signals Jesus' ministry is authorized by God the Father.
- "Matthew 28:18" Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

#### HOW DO WE APPLY THIS TRUTH IN OUR LIVES?

- 1. Hearing God's voice. God speaks identity over Jesus. He speaks over us through His word.
- 2.Identity in Christ. If you are in Christ, the same words apply to you. You are God's beloved Son.
- 3. Mission flows from relationship. Jesus begins ministry after receiving affirmation.

• Proverbs 18:21

• "The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit."

- A. THE POWER OF TONGUE COULD BRING DEATH OR LIFE.
- \*The tongue has the ability to encourage or destroy.
- \*Heal or hurt.
- \*Build up or tear down.
- Words can shape destinies, influence, decisions, start wars, end relationship, bring peace, or spread hate.

• James 3:6 "The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell."

• James 1:26 "Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless."

- Proverbs 15:1-2 A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.
- <sup>2</sup> The tongue of the wise adorns knowledge, but the mouth of the fool gushes folly.

- B." and those who love it will eat its fruit."
- \*Good speech=good fruit (positive relationship, wisdom, peace.)
- \*Bad speech=bad fruit (conflict, destruction, regret.)

#### 3. SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE

• Ephesians 4:15 "Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ."

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- Ephesians 4:29
- "Do not let any <u>unwholesome talk</u> come out of your mouths, but only what is <u>helpful for building others</u> up according to their needs, that it may <u>benefit those</u> <u>who listen."</u>

# APLLICATION.

- A. Be mindful of your words. What you say can impact others and your own life.
- B. Speak Life. Words that edify, bless, correct in love, and point people to truth.
- C. Avoid speech that kills. Gossip, slander, lies, and destructive criticism.

### 4. YOU WILL JUDGE BY YOUR WORD

- Matthew 12:36-37
- "But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken. <sup>37</sup> For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned."

• Proverbs 12:

• "The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing."

- Jeremiah1:4-6
- "The word of the LORD came to me, saying, <sup>5</sup> "Before I formed you in the womb I knew<sup>[a]</sup> you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." <sup>6</sup> "Alas, Sovereign LORD," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young."

# REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- 1. WHAT PROMISE FROM THE SCRIPTURE AFFIRMS MY IDENTITY IN CHRIST?
- 2. HOW CAN I ALIGN MY SELF-TALK WITH WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT ME?
- 3. WHAT LIES THE ENEMY TRYING TO MAKE ME BELIEVE-AND WHAT TRUTHS DEFEATS IT?