

## It's Just a Phase Small Group Session 5

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Warm Up Questions:

- 1 What did you do when you were a kid that you got in the biggest trouble for?
- 2 How did your parents discipline you when you were a kid?

*“For our earthly fathers disciplined us for a few years, doing the best they knew how. But God’s discipline is always good for us, so that we might share in his holiness. No discipline is enjoyable while it is happening—it’s painful! But afterward there will be a peaceful harvest of right living for those who are trained in this way.” (Hebrews 12:10–11, NLT)*

**Characteristics of Godly Discipline:**

- 1 Everyone **NEEDS** it.
- 2 It’s **PAINFUL**.
- 3 It’s for my child’s **BENEFIT** - not mine.
- 4 It’s preparation for God’s **LIFETIME** of it.

Discussion Questions:

- 1 Do you ever feel like you have let your schedule determine your priorities? What do you think you could do about that?
- 2 Thinking about your family’s weekly routine- what is the one change you could make right now that would align your life more with your priorities.
- 3 Discuss among your group- what moments exist in your family’s normal routine that you could insert something intentional- that gives you a chance to develop the spiritual life of your family.