

Teach us to Pray.... Again



Corporate Fast
Mon - Wed, October 9-11

Family Prayer Time
Heimbach Hall
Wed October 11, 7pm - 9pm





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THE FAMILY OF GOD

THE CHURCH IS FAMILY

Matt 12

⁴⁶ While Jesus was still talking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, wanting to speak to him. ⁴⁷ Someone told him, "Your mother and brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you."

⁴⁸ He replied to him, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" ⁴⁹ Pointing to his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. ⁵⁰ For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

OUR FAMILY
IS THOSE
WHO DO
THE WILL OF
GOD



THE CHURCH IS FAMILY

Romans 8

¹⁵ The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." ¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

EACH OF US IS
A SPIRITUAL
ORPHAN WHO
HAS BEEN
ADOPTED BY
GOD



THE CHURCH IS FAMILY

Psalms 68:6

⁵ A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.

⁶ God sets the lonely in families.

GOD SETS THE
LONELY IN
FAMILY

WE ALL START
OUT AS
ORPHANS



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Epicentre is my tribe. That I have an extended family I can depend on and that won't leave me. God is showing me that I'm able to pour out to others in part because I receive so much from this tribe.

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I love my church. I love my people. Sometimes when you get paint on your hands, things get messy, but my desire is to see many people with paint in order to make a beautiful painting together with many different colors.

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God told me this church is a big church of love. Then I received an image of a plug, which had many silver parts sticking out of it. It plugged into a special outlet that light up a huge sign that said "A Big Church Of Love" And as a 1st time, temporary visitor - I see that and feel that love of Christ through the church body immensely.

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A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's feet in colorful, patterned sneakers jumping over a puddle on a paved surface. The person is wearing blue jeans. The sneakers are mid-air, and a splash of water is visible on the ground below. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a street scene with parked cars. The overall lighting is somewhat dim, suggesting an overcast day or late afternoon. The quote is overlaid in white text with blue quotation marks.

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As we are being parented by God, we are called to parent a new generation of believers.

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A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's feet in colorful, patterned sneakers with white soles, captured mid-jump over a puddle on a paved surface. The person is wearing light blue jeans. Water is splashing upwards from the puddle, creating a dynamic and energetic scene. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a street with parked cars.

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A person's feet in colorful sneakers are captured mid-air, jumping over a puddle on a paved surface. The sneakers are red with blue and white patterns. Water is splashing up from the puddle, and the background is blurred, suggesting an outdoor setting. The overall tone is dark and moody.

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“You may feel like you're sacrificing a lot but this journey and adventure is so worth it.”

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A person's feet in colorful sneakers are captured mid-air, jumping over a puddle on a paved surface. The sneakers are red with blue and white patterns. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a street scene with buildings and parked cars. The overall tone is dark and moody, with a blue tint. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

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A spiritual volcano. I see a picture of a volcano where spirit breaks out and fire burning lifting incense up to heaven

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Yesterday, God told me, 'you are home'.

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I felt that God was speaking over my family and myself. The sense that we would acquire a lot of spiritual tools and blessings. And be stretched and taught. All over the course of many years. And that we would give back to this body and be poured out completely with what we have been filled with. I got the words "sowing and reaping."

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A person's feet in colorful sneakers are captured mid-air, jumping over a puddle on a concrete surface. The sneakers are dark with a vibrant, multi-colored pattern. The person is wearing light blue jeans. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a street scene with parked cars. The overall lighting is somewhat dim, suggesting an overcast day or late afternoon. The text is overlaid on the image, centered horizontally and positioned in the upper half of the frame.

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A shelter for me at times of fatigue and with hidden treasures where God has intended for me to explore.

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WE YEARN FOR FAMILY

for the *identity* of family

for the *belonging* of family

for the *stability* of family

for the *generational nature* of family



OUR BLIND SPOT: I DON'T NEED FAMILY

A person's feet in colorful sneakers are captured mid-air, jumping over a puddle on a city street. The water is splashing upwards, creating a dynamic focal point. The background is a blurred city street scene.

Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for y'all," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper y'all and not to harm y'all, plans to give ya'll a hope and a future."

(New Texas Bible)

GOD INVITES US TO BE IN FAMILY

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WE CAN ONLY
FIND IDENTITY
AS PART OF WE

CHRISTIANITY
ISN'T JUST A
BELIEF SYSTEM.
IT'S A BELONG
SYSTEM

PLUNGING
INTO FAMILY
IS YOUR
SPIRITUAL AND
RELATIONAL
INSURANCE
POLICY

PRACTICALITIES

A person's feet in colorful sneakers are captured mid-air, jumping over a puddle on a paved surface. The water is splashing upwards, creating a dynamic scene. The background is blurred, suggesting an outdoor urban setting.

CHOOSE TO
STEP IN AS
AN ADULT

When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me.

I Corinthians 13.11

PRACTICALITIES



CHOOSE TO
STEP IN AS
AN ADULT

CHOOSE
ONE
ANOTHER

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

PRACTICALITIES

CHOOSE TO
STEP IN AS
AN ADULT

CHOOSE
ONE
ANOTHER

SHARE
WITH ONE
ANOTHER

And this is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers (and sisters). If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother (or sister) in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

1 John 3:16-18

PRACTICALITIES

CHOOSE TO
STEP IN AS
AN ADULT

CHOOSE
ONE
ANOTHER

SHARE
WITH ONE
ANOTHER

FIGHT WITH
ONE
ANOTHER ...
AS AN
ADULT

And he has
given us this
command:
Anyone who
loves God must
also love their
brother and
sister.

1 John 1:21

PRACTICALITIES

CHOOSE TO
STEP IN AS
AN ADULT

CHOOSE
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SHARE
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FIGHT WITH
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AS AN
ADULT

BUILD INTO
ONE
ANOTHER

A person's feet, wearing blue jeans and colorful sneakers, are captured mid-jump over a puddle on a city street. The sneakers have a red, blue, and white pattern. The background is a blurred city street scene. The text "i LET'S DO THIS!" is overlaid on the image, with "i" in white, "LET'S" in white, "DO" in blue, and "THIS!" in white. The puddle below shows a splash of water.

i LET'S DO THIS!

"God, since I'm a part of this family, what are you asking me to say or do?"