

## Day 4 - Family

“But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” — Joshua 24:15 (NIV)

Family is one of God’s greatest gifts — and one of the easiest things to take for granted. In the fast pace of life, we often assume our family will “understand” when work gets crazy, when we’re too tired, or when everything else gets our attention. But over time, small neglect leads to big distance. Without margin, we drift from the people who matter most.

Joshua declared, “As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” That wasn’t a passive statement. It was a decision to lead his family with intention, love, and priority — and a promise to serve the Lord.

When you lead your family in this way, it isn’t just about being a good mother or father — **IT’S BEING A FAITHFUL FOLLOWER OF CHRIST.**

Making room for family means choosing **PRESENCE OVER PERFECTION, CONSISTENCY OVER CHAOS, AND INVESTMENT OVER INDIFFERENCE.** It’s not about having more time — it’s about **MAKING SPACE** for what matters most.

Here are some ways to be intentional with your family this week:

- **BE FULLY PRESENT** — Put the phone away. Make eye contact. Let your family feel that they matter more than your notifications.
- **CREATE FAMILY RHYTHMS** — Eat together. Pray together. Laugh together. Traditions build connection.
- **SPEAK LOVE AND LIFE** — Be generous with encouragement. Words are remembered — make sure yours are building, not breaking.
- **LEAD SPIRITUALLY** — Don’t wait for a church service. Read a verse at dinner, pray before school, talk about what God is doing.
- **CHOOSE GRACE OVER PRESSURE** — Your family doesn’t need a perfect version of you — just the real you, surrendered to Jesus.

Your family doesn’t need what’s leftover. They need your love, your attention, your intentional presence, and your influence.

