

THRIVE: Thrive by Nurturing
Speaker: Matt Taylor
Special Guests: Kevin and Rachel Brandt
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Nurturing: Family on Mission

A family that serves God by being on His mission, changing the lives they touch as well as their own. As families pray together, discuss God's Word together, serve together and love a broken world together it empowers them to live out their faith and rhythms side by side.

QUESTIONS:

This week, the questions are included in the full notes.

FULL NOTES:

Host: Mike Tatlock

Worship: Jake Schwein and Paige Maxwell

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Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your forehands. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

Matthew 5:13-16

You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men. You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

Potential Pitfalls/Traps as we Pursue Nurturing

1. We obtain a lot of head knowledge, but never act. *"Am I feeding my head or my heart?"*
2. Our motives are off-base. *"Am I doing what God wants me to do?"*
3. The project gets done, but we completely miss the person. *"What opportunities have I been blind to?"*
4. Serving becomes our identity which is really an idol. *"In my life, what has turned from a selfless act into a trophy?"*

Probable Rewards/Treasures as we Pursue Nurturing

1. Our awareness is raised. *“God what do you want me to see? To feel? To step into?”*
2. We realize Jesus didn’t feed or heal everybody, but when He engaged He was all in. *“Where is the place for me to fully engage?”*
3. We move to an ongoing conversation with God. *“What is being asked of me right now? My money? My time?”*
4. Blessings don’t always come from doing the “big thing”, but being obedient in all of the little things. *“God, what little things are you calling me to today?”*

Additional Verses:

Proverbs 16:2

Romans 10:8-15

Ephesians 5:21-6:4

Colossians 3:18-25

I Peter 2:11-17

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