



SAVAYE ACADEMY FOR FAMILY LIFE

STUDY GUIDE

FAMILY SPIRITUAL LIFE

Introduction:

Every home can reflect the kingdom of God on earth, where parents and children experience righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. This is achieved by seeking God daily and wholeheartedly depending on Him. In this lesson, we will explore building a relationship with God through trusting Him, walking with Him, and seeking His kingdom as a family.

The Building Blocks of a Relationship with God

Trust in God. Proverbs 3:5-6

Experiencing God's Kingdom starts with trusting Him fully, relying on His power and wisdom for guidance, presence, and great results in our lives.

Question: How do you show God that you trust him as a family?

Yielding our lives to His leadership and Lordship.

Question: Have you yielded your life to God for his leadership and lordship?

If yes. Praise God. If not, God gave the gift of his Son Jesus Christ for our salvation and entrance into the kingdom of God. You enter the kingdom of God by being born again. **Confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)**

Walking with God. Psalm 1:1-3.

There is a promise of fruitfulness and prosperity when we choose to walk with God. This requires us to choose the association we keep and the thoughts we think in our mind.

Question: Who do you allow to influence you and what ideas do you allow into your mind?

Seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness

Matthew 6:33, Isaiah 54: 14

Jesus calls us to prioritize God's kingdom and His righteousness, which is the gift of God's acceptance through Christ's sacrifice. We seek this righteousness by receiving it in faith and being firmly established in it.

Question: In what ways do we seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness?

God accepted us just the way we are without condemning us. We also extend the gift of non-condemnation to family members regardless of their faults and weaknesses. We all need the transforming righteousness of God in our lives.

Spiritual Roles in the Family

Fathers: Genesis 18:17-19, Ephesians 6:4

Fathers, as heads of households, are called to emulate Abraham as Priest, Prophet, and King, guiding their families in faith, leading prayer, balancing firmness with gentleness, avoiding provocation, and supporting mothers in nurturing the family's emotional well-being.

Mothers: Proverbs 31:26

Mothers are the heart of the home, fostering kindness, emotional connection, and supporting fathers in establishing and promoting God's kingdom within the family without compromise.

Children: Ephesians 6:1-3

Children are to Submit to and honor **godly parental authority. This posture is backed by the promise of living long and living well.**

Four levels of connection with God.

Level one is the individual that the man is to have his own time of private prayer with God, so also the woman needs to have her own time of private prayer time with God. (See the example of Jesus in Mark 1:35.)

Level two is the couple prayer of agreement and power, where applicable. After the individual prayer times, in two parent households, the man and the woman would come together in unity for a prayer of agreement for their family. (See Matthew 18:19, Deuteronomy 32:30, Ecclesiastics 4:9)

Level three is family prayer time, where children join parents in joyful worship. Involve them in planning, tailor activities to their attention spans, and focus on positive fellowship, avoiding scolding or discipline to create a memorable experience.

Level four is corporate worship otherwise known as church fellowship with the Body of Christ. Each family needs to find a great family friendly worship center to join other saints to worship God. Proverbs 27:17 Hebrews 10:25

Conclusion:

As Christian families, we are called to trust God, walk with God and seeking Him. As you do this, "He shall receive blessing from the LORD, And righteousness from the God of his salvation. This is Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, who seek Your face" Psalm 24: 5-6