

Measuring Up

Connect Group Guide - 6.15.2025

Opening Prayer

Key Takeaways:

1. The enemy targets marriages and families
2. Passivity is one of the greatest threats to families today
3. Men are called to be spiritual leaders in their homes
4. God provides the strength and wisdom needed to be godly husbands and fathers

Discussion Questions:

1. The message discusses how Satan targeted Adam and Eve's relationship. How have you seen the enemy attack marriages or families in today's world?
2. Pastor Mike talked about being "present but absent." What are some ways men might be physically present but emotionally or spiritually absent in their families?
3. How does the concept of "divine authority" in marriage challenge or align with society's current views on relationships?
4. The message emphasized the importance of setting boundaries, especially with technology. What are some practical ways parents can implement healthy boundaries in their homes?
5. Pastor Mike stated, "If you're not leading, then the serpent is." What does this mean to you, and how can men take up their leadership role in a godly way?
6. How does God's example of taking responsibility for humanity's sin (by sending Jesus) inform how we should approach leadership and responsibility in our families?
7. The message touched on the idea of "measuring up." How can we balance striving to be better husbands/fathers with accepting God's grace when we fall short?

Practical Applications:

1. Identify one area where you may have been passive in your family life. Commit to taking active leadership in that area this week.
2. Set aside time each day to walk and talk with God, just as Adam did in the garden.
3. If you're married, have a conversation with your spouse about your family's boundaries, especially regarding technology use.
4. Write a letter to your children (or future children) expressing your commitment to being a godly father and leader.
5. Find an accountability partner or mentor to help you grow in your role as a husband and/or father.

Closing Prayer:

Thank God for His perfect example of fatherhood. Ask for His strength and wisdom to lead your family in a way that honors Him.