

This Is Your Family

This Is Us #1 - Pastor Gary Combs - July 12, 2020 - Ephesians 3:14-21

Ephesians 3:14-21 (ESV) ¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

How to experience God's blessing on your family:

1. Recognize _____.

Genesis 1:27, Genesis 2:18, 23-24, Ephesians 1:5, Joshua 24:15

2. Depend on _____.

Acts 1:8

3. Abide in _____.

1 John 4:16, 1 Corinthians 7:7

4. Reflect _____.

Three biblical purposes for family:

(1) _____ God's image

Genesis 1:27 (ESV) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

(2) _____ complete one another.

Ephesians 5:31-32 (NLT) As the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one." This is a great mystery, but it is an illustration of the way Christ and the church are one.

(3) _____ a godly legacy.

Malachi 2:15 (NLT) Didn't the Lord make you one with your wife? In body and spirit you are his. And what does he want? Godly children from your union. So guard your heart; remain loyal to the wife of your youth.