

Sunday Service: The Family, the Home & the Fathers

26.4.15

The Word:

- God wants strong families with Godly lineage. He builds by generations, this is how blessing flows down
- The blessing and the curse both come to a family through the father. Some generational curses are divorce, violence, alcoholism, abuse and depression
- When a man doesn't change, it becomes an offence to God & the heavens are closed over his life
- We need to be willing to change & deal with our deficiencies
- Children all always watch the example of their Father. Are they seeing the blessing or the curse?
- Every home needs a man of God
- When two people get married, there will always be problems. When we seek knowledge from the Lord, we have the tools to change & improve ourselves. We can't change our spouse
- For the relationship to work, there must be a surrendering, we must lay down our lives for each other
- It is a man's role to set and carry the vision for his family, if he lacks vision, his wife will set it. Women find it hard to follow a man without vision
- Women should be easy to love, men should be easy to follow
- Men are responsible for leading the household & directing the children. Society & education should not be responsible for guiding our children
- Women aren't inferior to men, but our functions are different
- The man has been given headship, women are designed to be a helper, a compliment to a man's deficiencies & his companion
- Headship means being responsible, being a leader, & going first, he is to be the foundation of the home
- Men shouldn't lord their headship over the family, but carry the weight & responsibility & make a stand in the home
- We can accomplish much more when we work together

Key Scriptures:

- Gen 18v19: "For I have chosen **him** so that he will direct his children and his household after him..."
- 1 Cor 11v3: "...The head of every man is Christ, and the head of the woman is man, and the head of Christ is God."

Notices:

- **Encounter Camps:** Combined women & 412 Girls, 22nd-23rd May, combined Men's & 412 Guys 26th-27th June
- **Testify:** If you have an encouraging testimony to share, please fill out one of our Testify cards at the info desk
- **Africa Missions:** Keep the team in your prayers over the next few weeks as they minister in Uganda

Notes for the CG meeting: