

SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM VIDEO: https://vimeo.com/649182465/7E128C7A1C

Main Idea

The role of the parent is to love and lead your children like Jesus.

Starter

This year, what was your least and most favorite part of Thanksgiving?

Discuss

What are you most grateful for about this group? What are some ways you have seen growth in your group this year?

As a leader, make sure to pray about this ahead of time. Model vulnerability by sharing a way the group has helped you. Make sure to give them some specific encouragement from your perspective as the leader.

Read

This week, have your group take turns reading <u>I Corinthians 13</u> and discuss:

- What does this passage say about God and what He wants for your life?
- What is a truth from this passage that encourages or challenges you? Why?
- Which of the characteristics about love in this passage could you grow better show your family? (If you are a parent, think specifically about your relationship with your kids.)

Transition your group to focus on how Jesus shows us the kind of love we see in this passage. The good news is God is the only perfect parent and Savior of your kids. Through Jesus, we see all of the characteristics of what real love looks like. As we admit our failures and trust His love for us, He strengthens us from the inside out so we can love our families more like Him.

Through the Gospel, how does God show us this kind of love in this passage?

• Have your group read a few passages about the Gospel and see how many of the characteristics from 1 Corinthians 13 in the following verses.

Romans 5:1-8, I John 4:9-18, Titus 3:3-8

• How does your family (your kids if you are a parent) need to be reminded of the Gospel this Holiday season? What opportunities might you have to share the Gospel with them?

Apply

Have everyone take a minute to pause and pray.

- What is one way you need to be reminded of the Gospel in this season of your life?
- Who is one person in your life you would like share the Gospel with in your family

Spend time praying for each other and for opportunities to share the Gospel with those you love.

- * If anyone wants to dig deeper on God's design for parents, you can share additional resources here.
- *Don't forget to share the <u>Christmas Bingo game</u> with your group.