Made for More - Week 2

Main Idea

God wants us to break us free from the lie that we need to be the perfect parent to make a difference in the next generation for Jesus.

Starter

Introduce yourself and share one of your best memories with your parent as a kid.

Discuss

Whether you are a parent or not, where in your life do you have the opportunity to influence the next generation? What is a prayer request you have for a kid, or kids, in your life?

Try to keep this part of the sharing to a minute or less and tell your group we will write down prayer requests to pray at the end. If someone shares something difficult, make sure to empathize and validate the experience and follow the Holy Spirit's leading if you need to pause and pray before moving on to the next part of the discussion.

Scripture

Read John 10:10 and discuss:

- How does verse give you a picture of the "more" Jesus wants for your life and why it is difficult to experience?
- To what degree would you say your family is experiencing "abundant life" together? (if you are single, you can answer for yourself currently)

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Make sure to encourage your group with the Gospel based on what is shared. Being "made for more" doesn't mean being perfect or not struggling—especially as parents. Jesus is the good shepherd who lays down His life for us. One of the first steps to finding the abundant life Jesus offers is to admit we need His help rather than striving to fix ourselves. As we trust His love for us and listen to His voice, He leads us to love the people in our life more like Him.

Read Psalm 127 and discuss:

- What is most encouraging to you about what this Psalm says about God?
- How do you think you could grow in trusting God with your family rather than trying to be perfect or control things yourself?
- What would it look like for you to see yourself and your kids more like God sees them?

Apply

Have everyone share their "take away" from the group (one truth they need to remember) and one way they would like prayer to love the kids in their life more like Jesus. Spend time praying for each other and the prayer requests for the kids they shared at the beginning of the group.