

DTR: Family - 5 Lessons on Loving Relentlessly

For the week of May 9, 2021

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MESSAGE POINTS:

- 1- When i love relentlessly, i sacrifice willingly (gen. 12:1-5)
- 2- When i love relentlessly, i trust implicitly (gen. 16:2)
- 3- When i love relentlessly, i forgive frequently (gen. 17:5-6; 15-16)
- 4- When i love relentlessly, i open up regularly (gen. 18:12-14)
- 5- When i love relentlessly, i give generously (gen. 21:1; Heb. 11:1)

GOAL:

To see families transformed through relentless love.

GET GOING:

- Describe your mom in one word. Why did you choose this word?
- Why is relentless love so important to family?
- Look at verse Gen. 12:1-5. What do you observe in this passage? How do you see sacrifice represented?
- Describe a time when you did not sacrifice willingly for your family? What was the result?
- Do you have difficulty trusting God? In what areas of life do you typically take matters into your own hands? What are the consequences of getting ahead of God?
- Look at 1 Peter 4:8. Define forgiveness.
- Look at Gen. 18:12-14. Where do you find it difficult to open up to others/God?
- Which of these family values do you need to grow in most? Why?

KEEP GROWING:

- Turn to 1 Corinthians 13:1-7
- How does this passage connect to what we studied?
- How does this passage challenge your thinking about love?
- Some of the most talented and gifted people are the least loving. Why do you think that is?
- Look at verse 4. Where do you struggle to have patience with your family?

- Why is favoritism so destructive to family relationships?
- Look at verse 5. Where are you resenting family for past mistakes made?
- Why is verse 7 so important in all of our relationships?
- Where are you struggling to maintain hope when it comes to your family?

GET GROUNDED:

- What impacted you from the message or study?
- Are you relentlessly loving your family consistently? Why or why not?
- What specific family relationship do you desire to change? What can you do this week to begin the process?
- Take a minute to discuss how you can hold one another accountable and encourage each other throughout the week. Where do you need to turn away from evil?

MEMORY VERSE:

1 Corinthians 13:7 “Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.”

Acts 2:42-47

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. 2 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” 4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan

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Genesis 16:2

And Sarai said to Abram, “Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her.” And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai.

Genesis 17:5-6; 15-16

5 No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you.

15 And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.

Genesis 18:12-14

12 So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?” 13 The Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ 14 Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.”

Genesis 21:1

The Lord visited Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did to Sarah as he had promised.

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.