

# making HOME. WORK.

## Family Time



1. On Sunday you heard about the path we'll be heading down over the next several weeks:
- Week 2 - *FOCUS* - being present instead of being busy...Learning the Strategic "NO"
  - Week 3 - *SUPPORT* - using words to build UP instead of tear DOWN...Truth & Grace
  - Week 4 - *REAL* - learning to reconcile not retaliate...Conflict Resolution
  - Week 5 - *CLOSE* - creating intimacy in the family rather than individualism...Making Time
  - Week 6 - *DYNAMIC* - appreciating differences, not suppressing them...Teaming Up

With all of those in mind, have everyone grab a piece of paper and put each week in a new order, with the one you're most interested in hearing about at the top and the one you're least interested in hearing about at the bottom. Be ready to share a little bit about why you put them in this order.

**CONVO CLUES |** *Show some grace and be ready to go a little deeper (if possible) to find out if there are hurdles already coming to the surface.*



2. Joshua lays it out pretty plainly for the tribes of Israel. You can really only serve one God/god, so it's best to make up your mind TODAY which one it will be for YOUR family.

As a family throw out some ideas of what kinds of things people in San Clemente "worship" (even good things) and how they can trip us up as hurdles to harmony.

Have each family member identify at least one area they feel like they might be placing a little too much emphasis (e.g. sports, work, social media, surf, etc.).

**BRAIN STORM |** *Work together to come up with a FIRST STEP for each of you to start overcoming that hurdle.*



3. As a family come up with three words that you would like to immediately come to people's minds when they think of your family. Write them down, put them on the fridge and give them some prayer time together this week.

I. \_\_\_\_\_

II. \_\_\_\_\_

III. \_\_\_\_\_

**TECH TRICK |** *Have everyone in the family set a reminder on their phones for three times throughout the day so that these words stay in the forefront of their minds!*

# Couples Retreat

If we hope to get genuinely focused as a family about the things that matter most and create a filter through which all of our choices are weighed, we will need to ask ourselves some honest questions. As a couple, set aside some time this week to run through the list below. Some may have already been covered, some may be new, but all of them are worth your time, conversation and prayer:

⇒ 1. *What kind of family life do we want our children to remember?*

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
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⇒ 2. *What kind of atmosphere do we want to have in our home?*

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
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⇒ 3. *What behaviors do we want our family to demonstrate?*

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
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⇒ 4. *What goals will we have for our children at various stages of life?*

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
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⇒ 5. *What biblical qualities do we believe are the most important?*

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
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⇒ 6. *What changes do we need to make in order to allow our family to have more fun/time together?*

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
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⇒ 7. *What kind of family do we want to be known for?*

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
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