



INTRODUCTION:

What would you say are the characteristics of a healthy home?

TAKE A LOOK AT THE BOOK:

Read Proverbs 24:3-6

What is a good definition of wisdom?

Pastor David said “Proverbs aren’t promises, they are just explanations of what should be normal.” Do you agree? Why or why not?

What is the process that your family uses to decide what is good, better or best?

Pastor David said a good policy in parenting teens is “trust, but verify” Do you agree with that? Why or why not?

Read Proverbs 21:19 and 11:29, what does this say about disunity in our homes? Should we address disunity or let it go? Why?

What are the common misconceptions about discipleship or mentoring? Discuss your experiences in this.

Who keeps you accountable in your spiritual walk? Do you have anyone in your life that is willing to ask you really hard questions? Why or why not?

TAKE IT HOME:

Break out into same gendered groups and follow the questions below for your gender. Feel free to modify/choose any of the questions that fit with your group. If it’s your first time it might be awkward, let it be awkward.

Women:

Questions to start off the meeting:

1. How has God blessed you this week? (What went right?)
2. What problem has been in your thoughts this week? (what went wrong?)

Spiritual life:

1. What kinds of thoughts have you had from your time the Word?
2. How have you been tempted this week?
3. Did you worship in church this week?

Home life:

1. How is it going with your spouse? (are you able to resolve conflict? are you making time for intimacy? what is the work/life balance like right now in your home?)
2. How is it going with your kids? (training, activities, academic, attitudes?)
3. How are finances going? (are you and your spouse on the same page? is your spending out of control in any area?)

Work:

1. Are you working with excellence? What part(s) of your job are difficult right now? (inside or outside your home)
2. What is your work/life balance like?

Other:

1. What have you done for someone else this week?
2. Are you making time for meaningful friendships?

Men:

Questions to Start-off the Meeting:

1. How has God blessed you this week? (What went right?)
2. What problem has consumed your thoughts this week? (What went wrong?)

Spiritual Life:

1. Have you read God's word daily? (How long? Why Not? Will you next week?)
2. Describe your prayers (for yourself, for others, praise, confession, gratitude)
3. How is your relationship with Christ changing?
4. How have you been tempted this week? How did you respond?
5. Do you have any unconfessed sin in your life?
6. Are you walking in the Spirit?
7. Did you worship in church this week? (Was your faith in Jesus strengthened? Was He honored?)
8. Have you shared your faith? (In what ways? How can you improve?)

Home Life:

1. How is it going with your spouse? (attitudes, time, irritations, disappointments, progress, his/her relationship with Christ)
2. How is it going with the kids? (quantity and quality of time, values, and beliefs, education, spiritual warfare)
3. How are your finances doing? (debts, sharing, saving, stewardship)

Work Life:

- How are things going on the job? (career progress, relationships, temptations, work load, stress, problems, working too much)

Critical Concerns:

1. Do you feel in the center of God's Will? Do you sense His peace?
2. What are you wrestling with in your thought life?
3. What have you done for someone else this week? (the poor, encouragement, service)
4. Are your priorities in the right order?
5. Is your moral and ethical behavior what it should be?
6. How are you doing in your personal high-risk area?
7. Are the "visible" you and the "real" you consistent?

Conclusion:

- Have you lied about or compromised any of your answers?