



Foundation 4 | The Responsibilities of Being in God's Family

REVIEW: Last week we looked at what it means to be part of God's family, the church. This week will talk specifically about what makes Highlands unique as a local church and how we can actively participate.

Crowd-breaker

- What's one family tradition you want to pass down to your kids?
- If you don't have children, what was one family tradition you may have had and enjoyed growing up?
- What's a piece of advice your parents or grandparents gave you that you want to pass on? If nothing comes to mind, what do you wish they had said?

Introductory Comments

Everyone grew up in some type of family. Some of our experiences were better than others, but mostly like we all "belonged" somewhere or with someone. That sense of belonging is what primarily constitutes being in a family. And being part of a family means that everyone plays a role. That's the topic for today: The Responsibilities of being in God's Family, more specifically the local church called Highlands.

Discussion

1. What types of people are easy for you to love? What types of people are difficult for you to love?
2. When was the last time someone offered words to build you up in some area of your life? What did they say? How often do you find yourself being edified?
3. What steps are necessary to restoring unity when disagreements occur?
4. One way we build up others and bless them is by being sacrificially generous. Would other people call you a generous person? Would you call yourself a generous person?

5. What would Highlands look like if everyone were sacrificially generous with their time? Their skills and abilities? Their finances?

In addition to these questions, consider discussing any of the reflective questions from the past week's daily devotional readings as time permits.

Next Week Preview

Foundation 5 – Know Where God Has Us and the Daily Devotional Readings:

Day 1 - The Great Commission

Day 2 - Salt and Light

Day 3 – In the World

Day 4 - Growing a Burden for the Lost

Day 5 - Look Around