











Have you considered the vision God has for your family?

Fight for your Family's Future

Rebuilding Families



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Haggai 2:21, 23

²¹ "Tell Zerubbabel governor of Judah that I am going to shake the heavens and the earth...

²³ I will take you, my servant Zerubbabel... declares the Lord, and I will make you like my **signet ring**, for I have chosen you.

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Moral

Ezra



Foundation



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Nehemiah 4:14

¹⁴ After I looked things over, I stood up and said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, "Don't be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your families, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes."

Don't fight for yourself, fight for your family



1 John 4:20

²⁰ Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.



2 Corinthians 5:17-18 ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation

2 Corinthians 5:19-20

¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

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Fight against ingratitude



Ezra 3:12

¹² But many of the older priests and Levites and family heads, who had seen the former temple, wept aloud when they saw the foundation of this temple being laid, while many others shouted for joy.

Signs of ingratitude

Jealous of what other families have

Complain more than compliment

Focus more on what you don't have

Ephesians 2:20-22

²⁰ Together, we are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself. ²¹ We are carefully joined together in him, becoming a holy temple for the Lord.²² Through him you Gentiles are also being made part of this dwelling where God lives by his Spirit.

1 John 3:1

¹ See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are



Are you now ungrateful for the very thing you prayed for?





How to fight for your family's future

1. Lead with gratitude



Ezra 2:68

⁶⁸ When they arrived at the house of the Lord in Jerusalem, some of the heads of the families gave freewill offerings toward the rebuilding of the house of God on its site.

"Things turn out best for people who make the best of the way things turn out."

John Wooden

Ezra 3:6

⁶ On the first day of the seventh month they began to offer burnt offerings to the Lord, though the foundation of the Lord's temple had not yet been laid.



How to fight for your family's future

1. Lead with gratitude

2. Commit to a new future



Ezra 3:8

⁸ In the second month of the second year after their arrival at the house of God in Jerusalem, Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, Joshua son of Jozadak and the rest of the people (the priests and the Levites and all who had returned from the captivity to Jerusalem) began the work.

How to fight for your family's future

1. Lead with gratitude

2. Commit to a new future

3. Create a new future



I will make you like My signet ring, for I have chosen you, declares the LORD ALMIGHTY. Haggai 2:23

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Matthew 28:17-18

¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.



Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Joshua 24:14-15

¹⁴ Now fear the Lord and serve him with all faithfulness... ¹⁵ But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve... But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Make a family vision statement

1. List your family's strengths

2. How do these serve others?



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