

2020  
VISION

Seeing Things  
Clearly





# Living Like Jesus in a Broken World



**What it Looks Like to  
Be the Church**



# A Life of Generosity



**“That’s What Family Does”**





**“That’s What Family Does”**

**“That’s What Family Does”**

**No matter what**

**You’re my priority**

**You can count on it**

**“That’s What Family Does”**

**A Choice**

**A Commitment**

**A Non-Negotiable**

# That's What Family Is

A Choice

A Commitment

A Non-Negotiable

# That's What Family Is

## Genesis 1

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."<sup>27</sup> So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them.

<sup>28</sup> God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it.

# That's What Family Is

## Genesis 2

<sup>20</sup> But for Adam no suitable helper was found. <sup>21</sup> So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib He had taken out of the man, and He brought her to the man. The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh."

# That's What Family Is

## Ephesians 5

<sup>21</sup> Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, His body, of which He is the Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her.

# That's What Family Is

## Ephesians 6

- <sup>1</sup> Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.
- <sup>2</sup> "Honor your father and mother" — which is the first commandment with a promise— <sup>3</sup>"so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.
- <sup>4</sup> "Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

# That's What Family Is

But there's more.

It goes deeper.

There is a foundation upon  
which all of this rests.

# Joshua 24

(Deuteronomy 30)

<sup>15</sup> See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. <sup>16</sup> For I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to Him, and to keep His commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess.

# Joshua 24

<sup>11</sup> Then you crossed the Jordan and came to Jericho. The citizens of Jericho fought against you... but I gave them into your hands. I sent the hornet ahead of you, which drove them out before you—

# Joshua 24

<sup>14</sup> "Now fear the Lord and serve Him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. <sup>15</sup> But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

# Joshua 24

But as for me  
and my household,  
we will serve the Lord.

**Joshua 24**

**we will**

1.

Love is a choice.

Family is a choice.

Mean what you say.

**Imagine the heartache that  
would be eliminated if  
people simply did what  
they said they would do.**

*“Yeah...but what about...”*

**You can only own  
your own story.**

*“Yeah...but what about...”*

**But you have to own  
your own story.**

**The foundation of family is  
saying what you mean,  
and doing what you say.**

**Husbands > Wives**

**Wives > Husbands**

**Parents > Kids**

**Kids > Parents**

**Choose to do what you've  
said you're going to do.**

2.

The past is the past.

The future begins today.

This is the  Heartbeat of Joshua 24!

**You can't change the past.**

**Look back with gratitude.**

**Look forward with hope.**

# Joshua 24

<sup>3</sup> “Now then,” said Joshua,  
“throw away the foreign gods  
that are among you and **yield**  
**your hearts** to the Lord,  
the God of Israel.”

**Jeremiah 33:2-3**

This is what the Lord says, He who made the earth, the Lord who formed it and established it—the Lord is His name:  
'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'

## **Philippians 3:12-13**

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead.

**The past is the past.  
The future begins today.**

**3.**

**You're part of a  
bigger family.  
A church family.  
God's family.**

**When God says He loves us,  
He means it. No matter what.**

**I want you to walk away from  
this service this morning with  
renewed commitment.**

**Do what you can do.**

**God is with you, & will help you.**

