

Family I

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FAMILY	HUSBAND	WIFE	CHILDREN
SERVANT	SIBLING	CIVIL	MAN
SUBJECT	GOD	AUTHORITY	WOMAN
CHILD	OFFSPRING	FAMILY	CHRIST
COMMAND	REPENT	HOUSEHOLD	CHURCH
BODY	HEAD	ACCOUNTABLE	WISDOM
RELIGIOUS	STREET	PURPOSE	DUTY
TEACH	OBEY	LIVE	HOPE

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as children of obedience, not fashioning yourselves according to your former lusts in the time of your ignorance: but like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living; because it is written, Ye shall be holy; for I am holy. And if ye call on him as Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to each man's work, pass the time of your sojourning in fear” (1 Peter 1:13-17).

FAMILY

Welcome

It is a pleasure to have you with us this hour. Our endeavor is to worship God in Spirit and in Truth by adhering to the scriptures in all that we do and teach.

If you desire to have a private Bible Study at your convenience, let us know.

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Importance of the Family

When Jehovah spoke to Israel through the prophet Amos, He said, “Hear this word that Jehovah hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family which I brought up out of the land of Egypt, saying, You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will visit upon you all your iniquities. Shall two walk together, except they have agreed?” (Amos 3:13), and again, “A son honoreth his father, and a servant his master: if then I am a father, where is mine honor?” (Malachi 1:6).

Families: “a circle of relatives,” those who are “connected by origin, kinship, marriage, etc.” You may have heard the phrase, “You can pick your friends, but you can’t pick your family.” Well, there is a sense in which you can choose your family. (Continued Pg. 2)

Throughout the scriptures, there is an importance applied to the family: Joshua said, “as for me and my house, we will serve Jehovah” (Joshua 24:15), i.e., Joshua’s family. Phrases such as, “blood is thicker than water,” are often applied to the devotion that exists between individuals springing forth from the same father and mother, i.e., blood relatives.

What we see in the flesh can also be achieved spiritually. There are, and have been since the fall of man, only two families. The scriptures use such phrases as, “the sons of God came unto the daughters of men” (Genesis 6:4), or “for the sons of this world are for their own generation wiser than the sons of light” (Luke 16:8).

As in the physical, so in the spiritual, your family is determined by who your Father is, and who your Father is, is determined by your conduct. Jesus said to the Jews, “Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father it is your will to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and standeth not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father thereof” (John 8:44).

If God is your Father, you are a member of the family of God, and such will be reflected in your conduct, as was stated by the Apostle Peter, when he said, “Wherefore girding up the loins of your mind, be sober and set your hope perfectly on the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; (Continued Pg. 4)

The Family I

I. Challenging Responsibilities:

- A. Family Law: Household
 1. Eph. 5:23 – Husband/Father
 2. Eph. 5:24 – Wife/Mother
 3. Eph. 6:1 – Children
 4. 1 Pet. 2:18-19 - Servants
- B. Civil Law: Government
 1. Rom. 13:1-5 – Civil authorities
 2. 1 Pet. 2:13-16 – Be subject to
- C. Religious Law: Church
 1. Eph. 5:23 – Christ the head of the church
 2. Col. 1:18 – Christ the head of the body
 3. 1 Cor. 3:10-16 – Accountable
 4. 1 Cor. 2:16 – *Apostles* had the mind of Christ.

II. No One is Exempt:

- A. Eph. 6:1 – Are you part of a family? Husband, Wife, Child or Sibling
- B. Acts 18:12-16 – Are you part of a community? Citizen
- C. Acts 17:29-31 – Are you an offspring of God that has commanded all men to repent?

III. Urgent Need of the Study:

- A. Prov. 1:20-33 – Wisdom crieth in the street.
- B. Ezek. 33:1-9 – Educate yourself and give warning to your children, etc.
- C. What is at stake? “Another principle, teachers said they would teach students was a commitment to ‘disrupting the western-prescribed nuclear family structure” (Washington Examiner).