



How to Make Jesus Lord of Your Family

How to Bring Your Family Together Leader's Notes

I. Acknowledge God.

- Jesus must be the Lord of your family.
- God loves the family unit.
 - Psalm 68:6, *"God places the lonely in families; he sets the prisoners free and gives them joy. But he makes the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land" (NLT).*
- Satan tries to destroy families through strife, lies and deception.
- Seek God's way of doing things.
 - Matthew 6:33, *"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need" (NLT).*
- Choose to put God first.
- You are a witness to others.
 - Psalm 31:19, *"How great is the goodness you have stored up for those who fear you. You lavish it on those who come to you for protection, blessing them before the watching world" (NLT).*

II. Look to God as your source for all things.

- Everything you are, everything you know and everything you have originated in God.
- God is everything—without God there is nothing.
- Praise and worship God for who He is.
- The world demands the credit for all things.





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- You can do all things through Christ.
 - Philippians 4:13, *“For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength” (NLT).*
 - 2 Corinthians 3:5, *“It is not that we think we are qualified to do anything on our own. Our qualification comes from God” (NLT).*
 - John 15:5, *“Apart from me you can do nothing” (NLT).*

III. Get to know God—how He thinks, the attributes of His character and His will.

- It is possible to know God.
 - Jeremiah 9:23-24, *“This is what the Lord says: ‘Don’t let the wise boast in their wisdom, or the powerful boast in their power, or the rich boast in their riches. But those who wish to boast should boast in this alone: that they truly know me and understand that I am the Lord who demonstrates unfailing love and who brings justice and righteousness to the earth, and that I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken!’” (NLT).*
- To know God, you must study His Word.
- “What would Jesus do?”
- Study the accounts of Jesus’ life in the gospels.
- For more instructions to live as Jesus lived, study the letters of the apostles.
- Study God’s Word every day.
 - John 14:26, *“But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you” (NLT).*



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Confession

I choose to acknowledge God as my source for all things. His love is the source for my family and our relationships. I will study God's Word to know God in all His thoughts and ways. As I do this, I will know how to imitate God in all areas of my life, and my family and I will please Him.

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

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