



Ideally Speaking

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Introduction:

- You can't pick your family
- What does the ideal Biblical family look like?

The Basics

1. Children, _____

2. Wives, _____

3. Husbands, _____

4. Fathers, _____

*Children, obey your parents as believers in the Lord. Obey them because it's the right thing to do. Scripture says, "Honor your father and mother." That is the first commandment that has a promise. **Ephesians 6:1-2** NIRV*

*Wives, follow the lead of your husbands. That's what the Lord wants you to do. Husbands, love your wives. Don't be mean to them. **Colossians 3:18-19** NIRV*

Husbands, consider the needs of your wives. They are weaker than you. So treat them with respect. Honor them as those who will share with you the gracious gift of life. Then nothing will stand in the way of your prayers.

1 Peter 3:7 NIRV

*Fathers, don't make your children bitter. If you do, they will lose hope. **Colossians 3:21** NIRV*

What about the _____, between _____ and _____ families?

*Some Pharisees came to test Jesus. They asked, "Does the Law allow a man to divorce his wife for any reason at all?" Jesus replied, "Haven't you read that in the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female'? He said, 'That's why a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife. The two will become one.' They are no longer two, but one. So no one should separate what God has joined together." They asked, "Then why did Moses command that a man can give his wife a letter of divorce and send her away?" Jesus replied, "Moses let you divorce your wives because you were stubborn. But it was not this way from the beginning. **Matthew 19:3-8** NIRV*

Next Steps:

- I commit to invest in my Future Family by _____
- Please pray for my family and for me as I try to be the best _____ I can be to them
- I commit to attend the rest of the series
- I will invite a friend to attend "Future Family"
- _____