## WE ARE FAMILY

## THE KEY TO AN AWESOME FAMILY

Psalm 127:1-5 Jeff Schreve

Unless the LORD builds the house, They labor in vain who build it; Unless the LORD guards the city, The watchman keeps awake in vain. Psalm 127:1

How can you have an awesome marriage and family?

1. The LORD must be the builder of your home.

"And if it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve ... but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." Joshua 24:15

A. The LORD wants you to fully submit to Him.

He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; so that He Himself might come to have first place in everything. Colossians 1:18

B. The LORD wants you to genuinely walk with Him. It is vain for you to rise up early, To retire late, To eat the bread of painful labors; For He gives to His beloved even in his sleep. Psalm 127:2

2. The LORD must be the <u>protector</u> of your home. Unless the LORD builds the house, They labor in vain who build it; Unless the LORD guards the city, The watchman keeps awake in vain. Psalm 127:1

A. You have an enemy prowling around the perimeter. "Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour." 1 Peter 5:8.

B. You have an enemy prowling on the inside. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. Romans 7:18

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the

flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. Galatians 5:16-17

## 3. The LORD must be the <u>multiplier</u> of the home.

Behold, children are a gift of the LORD; The fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, So are the children of one's youth. How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them; They shall not be ashamed, When they speak with their enemies in the gate. Psalm 127:3-5

A. The LORD wants His children to <u>have children</u>. "Didn't God make you one body and spirit with her? What was his purpose in this? It was that you should have children who are truly God's people." Malachi 2:15 GNB

B. The LORD wants His children to <u>raise godly children</u>. *I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth. 3 John 1:4* 

## Will you make the wise choice to do family God's way?