

WE ARE FAMILY

GOD'S BLUEPRINT FOR THE FAMILY

Ephesians 5:17-6:4 Jeff Schreve

“So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.” Ephesians 5:17

Do you follow the divine design for your family?

1. Everyone in the family needs to be filled with the Spirit.

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit Ephesians 5:18

A. God doesn't want your help; He wants your surrender.

B. Spirit-filled families enjoy the fruit of the Spirit.

... speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father; and be subject to one another in the fear of Christ. Ephesians 5:19-21

2. Every spouse needs to do the job God has assigned.

A. A husband's job is to love and lead his wife.

B. A wife's job is to respect and submit to her husband.

3. Every parent needs to set the stage for the home.

And, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger; but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4

A. The Lord is King.

B. The marriage is priority.

C. The kids are loved, disciplined, and led.

4. Every child needs to obey and honor his parents.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER (which is the first commandment with a promise), THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY LIVE LONG ON THE EARTH.

Ephesians 6:1-3

- A. God wants you to obey your parents until adulthood.
- B. God wants you to honor your parents until death.

Are there some changes needed in your heart and home?