

Seeing Family with Jesus' Eyes – Pastor Ray Harms-Wiebe – Matthew 19:1-15

NOTE FROM PASTOR JONATHAN

Reminder: we've separated the questions and notes/commentary to keep things clean. My notes/commentary, are at the Leaders Corner (which is open to anyone!): <https://willingdon.org/lifegroups/leaders-corner/>.

I've included links to [Willingdon Marriage and Family Resources](#). Our team would love to hear from you!

QUESTION OVERVIEW

Please select whichever questions you feel will help your group dig deeper into God's Word.

Let's Warm Up: Questions to break the ice.

1. Does your family have any fun, memorable traditions?
2. What influenced your views on marriage and children?
3. How were you raised to view marriage and having children?

Let's Get Started: Questions to start thinking about the main themes.

4. How does divorce in Jesus' time compare with our modern views? (In Canada or your country of origin.)
5. Why is a loose definition of marriage dangerous for those involved or a society?
6. Why can leaving father and mother to start a new family be difficult?

Let's Dig In: Questions to discuss the passage and how we can respond.

7. How can being single be advantageous to following and serving God?
8. Pastor Ray's grandfather said, "Before marriage, you ask yourself if your girlfriend or fiancé is the right one, but after the wedding day, you make her the right one. More importantly, make yourself the right one for her." Whether single or married, how can you make yourself the right one?
9. Pastor Ray said, "Jesus is committed to our healing and restoration, including the area of sexual brokenness." Who in your life needs to hear this?
10. What about children makes them good candidates for God's Kingdom?
11. How can we support those who have experienced the brokenness and hurt of divorce?
12. How can we help the children in our lives experience Jesus?

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY RESOURCES AT WILLINGDON

Marriage and Divorce

Marriage Prep Course – <https://willingdon.org/marriage/prep-course/>

Christian Dating & Marriage Course – <https://willingdon.org/events/christian-dating-and-marriage/>

Marriage Enrichment Course – kchan@willingdon.org

Marriage Counseling – ilee@willingdon.org

Divorce Care – <https://willingdon.org/divorce-care/>

Betrayal and Beyond – For women who have experienced betrayal. – <https://willingdon.org/betrayal-and-beyond/>

Pure Desire – For men seeking healing from sexual brokenness. – <https://willingdon.org/pure-desire>

Families with Children

Family Ministries – <https://willingdon.org/ministries/#family>

Mom's Connect – For moms to meet mid-week to worship, pray, and study God's Word.

<https://willingdon.org/moms-connect/>