



Rock Bridge Small Group Discussion Guide  
God in my House - Part 1  
LEADER GUIDE

**SMALL GROUP LEADERS: - Remember the C's of Small group health:**

**CONTENT** - *biblical, intentional, and conversational*

**CONSISTENCY** - *regular meetings and interactions with one another*

**CARE** - *sharing life's ups and downs with grace, love and encouragement*

**CELEBRATION** - *celebrating God's grace to us and having fun together*

**COMMISSION** - *participating in what God is doing now during our lifetime on earth*

**CHARACTER** - *as a leader - growing in my example for my group*

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**Ice Breaker:**

- What is one of your favorite childhood family memories?
- What is one thing you do differently in your marriage than your parents did? What is one thing you do the same as your parents did?

**Into the Word:**

**Read Ephesians 5:21-25; 6:1-2**

a) According to this passage, how are our families more about God than us?

Teaching Tip: Encourage group members to reflect on what the family is designed to teach us and show us. Correlate God's design and love into family dynamics.

b) What sins or sinful tendencies are implied in this passage that require repentance and vigilance?

c) Nowhere in this passage does Paul instruct one group to ensure another group fulfills their responsibilities. Why? Why does he focus exclusively on each role's unique responsibilities? What would happen if you focused more on your responsibilities?

Teaching Tip: By focusing on each group's specific responsibilities, Paul is coming against the blame game that has been prevalent since Genesis 3. Instead of blaming one another, we are to take responsibility as ordained and assigned by God.

**Apply the Word:**

a) Where in your family have you redefined God's ideal to fit your expectations or experiences?

b) In your family interactions, what "gauges" do you typically watch? Based on the message and these passages, what gauge(s) do you need to start paying more attention to?

c) In the message, Matt talked about the "daily dose" as a commitment to at least once daily attempt to fulfill part of your God-given responsibility in the family. What daily dose commitments will you make this week? How can our group support you?

**Prayer:**

Read | John 4:19

Ask God to help you understand and receive more of His love and then give that love more to others, especially your family. Confess any sins that have been revealed.