

# Our Imperfect Family - #1

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## LIFE

Building life giving relationships

**Catch up** - Spend 20-30 minutes catching up with each member of the group and sharing prayer requests.

**Your story** - What do you like to do when it starts to snow or do freezing rain outside?

## GOD

Growing more like Jesus together

**Starter Question:** What does it mean to successfully parent your children? What does the world think it looks like to be a successful parent?

**Remember:** Pastor Ron said that society typically thinks a you will know you are a successful parent when you have children who are:

1. Well rounded
2. Educated well
3. Happy

**Reflect:** What do you think bosses look for in a new hire?

Is well rounded what you want in a new hire, or for them to excel in a few areas?

Would you take integrity over education?

What does happiness depend on? Would you want your new hire to be joyful in the ups and downs of life?

**Read:** Matthew 16:26 - How does this verse apply to raising kids? What if we were able to help our children to have every comfort possible but they would not have faith?

**Read and Reflect:** Deuteronomy 6:4-7

What would it look like for us to partner with our kids program (J'Seekers) or middle school - high school program (BSM)?

What does it look like to impress God's commandments on kids' hearts?

What would it look like to raise the bar for our spiritual expectations for the kids in our lives?

Could it be an area that you serve together? What area would that be?

**OTHERS**

Loving God and loving others

**Keep it Real:** Do we have a fine China God? A God who only comes out on special occasions? How can we live like our God is more than a fine China God?

Take time to pray for each other and the ways we can intentionally instill God's truth into others.