



The
Foundation
of the Family
(Part 3)

(Genesis 1 – 3)

The sin- altered restructure of the Family

- Genesis 3
- Sin always destroys, never creates.
 - Feeling guilty for his sin, man blames the woman and ultimately God for his sin.
 - The woman then tries to push the blame to the serpent.
- It permanently altered man's relationship with his wife and her relationship with him.
- It was no longer a relationship of equality in roles.
 - Man was to rule over the household.
 - That posed two big challenges:
 - Woman had to become submissive to man.
 - Man would be held responsible for his leadership of the family.
- It permanently altered man's relationship with God.
- Life would no longer be as easy as it was in the Garden.

Devotional #4: THANK THERAPY

Ephesians 5:20 *giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,*

1 Thessalonians 1:2 *We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers,*

1 Thessalonians 5:18 *give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

DISCUSS:

- What are some circumstances that we should be thankful for?
- Talk about some times when it is VERY HARD to be thankful.
- How is being thankful a part of God's will for your family?

DISCHARGE:

Have each family member write 10 reasons why they are thankful on a piece of paper and then share those reasons aloud.

DEBRIEF:

- What are some things that surprised you as a family that came up that members were thankful for?
- What are some things that most of you had in common?
- Do you think you need to do this more often as a family?

Close by holding hands and praying!!!



In our next study, we will examine
Spiritual Training in the Family.