

Sunday AM Sermon – December 13, 2020

Family Roots: Joyful Support

Genesis 50:15-21



In life, sometimes you need people who can constructively correct you, and sometimes you need cheerleaders. As life becomes more challenging for many people, we want to be the kind of joyful supporters in our families that help everyone mature in Christ.



1. Mark the number of times you hear these words:

- Envy –
- Cain –
- Support(ers) –

2. According to Dr. Sabrina, what do people do?

3. What is envy and where does it come from?

4. What did James say about envy?

5. In family envy, #1: _____ was used to _____ one's own _____

6. In family envy, #2: _____ was allowed to _____

7. In family envy, #3: They took _____ into their own _____

8. In family envy, #4: _____

9. Despite being criticized by his sister, what did Moses do for Miriam?

10. In joyful support, #1: _____

11. In joyful support, #2: Ability to _____ others

12. In joyful support, #3: Ability to their own _____ and be _____

13. In joyful support, #4: Let _____ be _____

14. In joyful support, #5: _____ God's _____

15. How did Father show joyful support for Jesus Christ?



Faith Talk, Faith Walk

Spend time with family or friends (maybe over a meal or during a family devotional) discussing the following related to the sermon

Faith Talk: What is something someone in your family has done that is very supportive?

Faith Walk: Look for ways to offer joyful support – words, notes, a kind deed, even a thumbs up.

If you are here and have been touched or convicted by something said or done today we would love to study the Bible with you and introduce you more fully to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Just call the church office at 795-4377 and we will set something up. God bless you!

Next Sunday AM Sermon – Three Men and a Baby (Matthew 1:24-2:3)

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Discussion Starter Questions

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1. React to the statement by Dr. Sabrina: *People do what's inside them, not what's inside you.* How does this alter the way we view and treat people, especially when there is junk going on inside us?
2. Envy is an intense desire to have something that belongs to someone else. What are some examples of envy and how does it affect relationships?
3. Envy affected several families in the Bible. Looking at the four things these families had in common, where do you think the best place to stop envy would be and why?
4. Rather than envy, we can choose joyful support. Of the five traits of joyful support, which one is most meaningful to you and why?
5. Think about the people in your family and come up with at least three ways that you could demonstrate joyful support in order to bless your family.