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Multi-Generational Discipleship

2 places for spiritual multi-generational influence:

- Home (Ephesians 6:4; Mark 10:13-16)
- Church (Hebrews 10:24-25; Deuteronomy 6:5-7)

- Time and Consistency leads to Influence
- Influence produces Impact
- Impact promotes World-View (Biblical)
- World-View generates World-Changers

What happens spiritually when Generations serve one another?

- **They live on Mission** (Matthew 28:18-20)
- **They Develop Generations of World Changers**

First Commandment

Genesis 1:28

Be fruitful & multiply

Fill the earth

Subdue it

Great Commission

Matthew 28:18-20

Make disciples

Of all nations

Teach them to observe...

➤ Marriage, the family, and raising godly children are connected to fulfilling the Great Commission.

➤ Treating one other graciously across generations will speak positively and powerfully to our world as we fulfill the Great Commission. (1 Timothy 5:1-2)

- **They understand biblically that every person can make a difference for the “Next Generation”** (Matthew 18: 10-14; Psalm 145:4)

Application

- Be willing to step outside your comfort zone.
- Take the discipleship of the next generation seriously and embrace your call to serve one another.

Next Steps

- This week I will join a LifeGroup.
- *LifeGroup Leaders*: This week I'll decide on a service opportunity together with my LifeGroup.
- I am requesting more information about serving on a Family Ministry volunteer team.



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Bridge LifeGroups are **currently on summer break**. We will continue to provide questions in abbreviated form each week for personal study and/or discussion for LifeGroups choosing to meet for a portion of the break.

1. **Read Deuteronomy 6:5-7.** Moses is addressing the Israelites in the importance of teaching our children about loving and serving others. Who has had a major influence in your life in your choice to follow God?
2. What are some obstacles that can prevent or impair parents and adults from reaching out and teaching younger generations about the mission of serving Christ?

3. What is something that you have done or would like to do involving serving others that was or is outside of your comfort zone? What can you do to get past that fear or hesitation?
4. Read Matthew 18:10-14. As Jesus was teaching his disciples, He asked a child to stand next to him while He was teaching about the 100 sheep. Why do you think such a strong emphasis is put on saving the children?
5. What can you as an individual, or a group, do to embrace the call of discipleship to the next generation?

Close in prayer as the Holy Spirit leads you.

This **LifeGroup** Study Guide is designed to help you apply Sunday's message. You can do this homework on your own; however we encourage you to check out our warm and friendly message-based **LifeGroups!** Get a copy of this Study Guide at theBridgeFresno.com by clicking on the "Messages" link.