

FaceTime
Discussion Guide
April 13-14



Announcements:

Baptism Weekend @ University Campus- April 27 & 28
Baptism Weekend @ East Campus- April 28
Super Sign Up Weekend- April 27 & 28
Growth Track Night @ University Campus- May 4
Growth Track Night @ East Campus- May 5

Discussion Questions:

- **REVIEW IT**

This week, Pastor Jared continued our series, "FaceTime," by helping us understand parenting with a biblical perspective. As much as we love being parents and want to be the kind of parents God has called us to be - it can sometimes feel overwhelming to raise children in today's world. We need to remember that there are no perfect parents. Parenting is hard and we are going to make mistakes. While we may not be perfect, God is, and He is with us!

- DISCUSS IT

1. Share with the group how this message impacted you. Do you feel challenged? Encouraged? Share a specific way you want to grow as a parent during this season of your life.
2. Read Psalm 127. You have them for 6,570 days with kids (18 years). How you answer these questions matter: Who is building your home? Who is raising your children? Share with your group with your group.
3. Solomon mentions that children are a blessing and they are like arrows. Arrows need to be “Shaped.” Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9. Practically, what does this look like in 2024?
4. Arrows need to “Aimed.” How can you give your children a target to aim for by the example you set for them? Share and discuss with your group.
5. Arrows need to “Released.” A child that has been shaped and aimed once they are released with be a force for God in this world. Jim Elliot (missionary to an unreached people group in South America) wrote to his family: “Grieve not, then, if your sons seem to desert you. Remember how the Psalmist described children? He said that they were a heritage from the Lord, and that every man should be happy who had his quiver full of them. And what is a quiver full of arrows? And what are arrows for but to shoot? So, with strong arms of prayer, draw the bowstring back and let the arrows fly—all of them, straight at the Enemy’s hosts.” How does Jim Elliot’s quote impact you when it comes to the principle of releasing your children?

- RESPOND TO IT

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you apply it?