# 4WS AGAINST THE TIDE



MAKE YOUR FAMILY A BLESSING

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# WORSHIP

Let the Praises Ring, In Control, Heart of Our Home, Good Good Father, I Speak Jesus

# WELCOME

Whose family do you find "most incredible" that you hope your family will follow after?

## WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

#### I. Thanksgiving

• Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives

#### II. Country and the World

• Upright and moral governance of public servants; repentance and salvation for government leaders and citizens for a Christ-centered Philippines.

• God's help and comfort for the Sudanese people caught in violence and conflict.

• War in Ukraine to end, loss of lives prevented; tension in East Asian and Middle East countries to stop.

• Continue to pray for the rest of Israeli hostages to be restored back to their families safely. Pray for Israel and the war with terrorists to end according to God's purpose and for His glory.

• For the recent political and social upheaval in the US to result in spiritual awakening in the church and a great spiritual harvest.

#### III. Church

That CCF Members would honor and love God and make disciples.
Elders, pastors, dleaders, and families (holy, humble, harmonious, happy, heart-working).
Ministries and churches expansion worldwide.

#### **IV. CCF Facilities**

Worship and Training CenterPrayer Mountain

V. Personal Concerns
Deeper intimate relationship with God.

- Righteous living.
- Salvation of family and friends.

# WORD

### READ IT! JEREMIAH 35:8-11,18-19

<sup>8</sup> We have obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, in all that he commanded us, not to drink wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons or our daughters, <sup>9</sup> nor to build ourselves houses to dwell in; and we do not have vineyard or field or seed. <sup>10</sup> We have only dwelt in tents, and have obeyed and have done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us. <sup>11</sup> But when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up against the land, we said, 'Come and let us go to Jerusalem before the army of the Chaldeans and before the army of the Arameans.' So we have dwelt in Jerusalem."

<sup>18</sup> Then Jeremiah said to the house of the Rechabites, "Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, 'Because you have obeyed the command of Jonadab your father, kept all his commands and done according to all that he commanded you; <sup>19</sup> therefore thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, "Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not lack a man to stand before Me always.""

#### PARAPHRASE IT!

Restate the verses in your own words.

#### TALK ABOUT IT!

- What did you like about these verses?
- What did you learn about God?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about how a family can be a blessing for generations?
- What did you learn about following Jesus?

#### POINT IT OUT!

#### **1. IDENTITY**

WHO were the Rechabites? (Jeremiah 35:1-6) Luke 2:49, 1 John 3:1

#### **2. INTEGRITY**

WHY were they so different? (Jeremiah 35:7-10) 1 Corinthians 6:12, 1 Chronicles 29:15, 1 John 2:15-16, 1 John 5:2-3

#### **3. INHERITANCE**

WHAT did God have to say about them? (Jeremiah 35:12-17)

#### **4. INTEGRATION**

HOW can we apply these principles so our families can be a blessing? (Jeremiah 35:18-19) Genesis 12:3, Genesis 26:4, Genesis 28:14, John 3:16

# WORKS

Based on this lesson on "Make Your Family A Blessing", write down your action point to apply what you learned. Make it your "I will..." statement and follow the S.M.A.R.T. guideline to come up with a do-able action point.

> Simple Measurable Appropriate Realistic

Time-bound

"I will\_\_\_\_\_

#### SHARE IT!

Who will you share these truths to this week?

#### PRAY CARE SHARE IN ACTION

Pray for family members to have a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Attend to their needs. Serve them. Share the gospel with at least one of them this week and start the process of making your family a blessing!

## **MEMORY VERSE**

#### JEREMIAH 35:19

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