

Family TableTalk

This is Us—Week 2: November 15th

Read

1 Corinthians 12:26-27 & James 2:14-17

Think

Week 2— This is Us (You Cry I Cry, You Rejoice I Rejoice)

Have you ever heard the phrase, "You can pick your friends but you can't pick your family"? The connotation is that families are far from perfect. And yet, a church is a family where the pain of one becomes the pain of all and the joy of one becomes the joy of all, showing authentic empathy for one another. As we share in our joys and sorrows, we build the caring community that Jesus envisioned. At its best, the church is a committed, genuine community that provides a sense of belonging where people can experience God's love and deepen their relationship with God through all the joys and trials we face.

Discuss

- How have you supported each other in your joys and sorrows as a family?
- Have each person in the family share what their biggest joy is right now and biggest sorrow?
- How can a church family support one another in their joys and sorrows?
- How may God be calling you to engage deeper with your church family and build more relationships?

Pray

Faithful God, we are grateful for our church family and the authentic relationships we have made. Help us to be more open about our joys and sorrows with others so they can support us more fully. Guide us to be a support to others through the ups and downs of life. Amen.

Go Deeper:

Share family blessings & bummers

Continue working on your thankful tree if you made one

Sign up to make a family advent wreath and participate in the advent activities.

Play

