

groups

Study Group: Participant Guide
1 Timothy 5:1-16 – May 10th-16th

CHECK-IN

An opportunity to show authentic community as we **share the struggles** and **celebrate the victories** we've experienced in the last week.

STUDY

Main Topics: Physical Family, Spiritual Family, Widows, Godliness

Read 1 Timothy 5:1-16

- How does Scripture demonstrate that the Church is designed to feel like a family?
- How are others impacted when the Church acts like a family?
- What does it look like to treat women with all purity?
- Why does Paul speak so strongly about caring for one's own family?
- Why is God a greater hope to us than family?
- What are some of the qualifications that a widow must meet in order to be supported and cared for by her local church?
- Why isn't the Church designed to be the first responders for a widow in need?
- What does it look like to be an idler or a gossip?
 - How does God call us to interact with these individuals?
- Why is our level of care for others a helpful indicator of our love for Jesus?
- What stood out to you about Francois' time spent on godliness?
 - Where do we see 1 Timothy describing godliness and what it entails?

APPLY

- How did God speak to you on Sunday?
- How have older believers built you up in your walk with Christ?
- How did Francois' description of encouragement cause you to think differently about this spiritual habit?
- Why is there a continual, spiritual attack on "the family"?
- How is God convicting you to show greater care for your physical family?
- How is God convicting you to show greater care for your spiritual family?
- When have you found it difficult to treat your spiritual family as Christ calls you to?
- When have you needed to care for your family or when has your family needed to care for you?
- How do you want to grow in godliness this coming week?
- How can we pray for you or your family today as you desire for Christ to be at the center of it?