

Flawed Families
Week 1 - Responding to Our Flaws
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“You’re Not the Worst”

BIG IDEA: _____ to our flaws determines our experience with God.

4 Realities About Our Flawed Families:

1. Every family is flawed because we all come from the _____. (Gen. 3:1-8, 23-24)

2. No family wants to be known for their _____. (Gen. 4:1-8)

3. We respond to flaws in _____ ways and not all responses are _____. (Gen. 9:18-27)

4. Because of Jesus, _____ is encouraged and _____ is possible. (Rom. 5:18-21; Heb. 4:14-16)

Next Steps:

1. Name the _____ in you and your family which _____ you up the most.

2. Identify your _____ of response to those flaws.

3. Read Lamentations 3:19-24 each morning this week and _____ those flaws to God.

4. Join a _____ or commit to consistently attend yours.

Discussion Questions:

-What are you hoping or praying for God to do in your heart or family during this series?

-Pastor Scott shared that all of the famous families from Genesis are flawed and the Bible doesn’t hide their flaws. What do you think God intended for us to know by including these in the Bible?

-How do you see your parent’s flaws and weaknesses impacting who you’ve become?

-What do you feel your family is best known for? Is that a worst moment or a best moment, a good quality or a flaw?

-Has there ever been a time you felt known for a flaw or your worst moment? How did that experience influence the way you related to people and God?

-Pastor Scott shared three responses to our family’s flaws. (mock and jeer, hide and shame, expose and heal) What was your family of origin’s approach to their flaws? Which one best describes yours?

-In Hebrews 4:14-16, the writer reminds us that we are invited to draw near to God, in spite of our flaws and worst moments, because of His desire to show us love and mercy. Share about a time when you accepted that invitation or when you rejected it.

-In what area do you and your family need grace and mercy in this season? If your group feels led, circle around, lay hands on, and pray over a particularly needy family or person during your group’s gathering this week.

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