

## **Growth Group Homework and Discussion Questions**

For the Week of February 21-27, 2010  
"If These Walls Could Talk"

### **Homework:**

Before your Growth Group meets, take about 20 minutes on your own to complete the following..

**Note to those who aren't in a parenting role:** These questions are written in the context of parenting, but many of the answers also apply to other significant relationships. Answer them in light of any role of leadership or responsibility you may have, or counsel you may need to offer someone.

How do the following verses from Proverbs add some new insight or expand on what Pastor Larry shared in his message?

Proverbs 20:7; 22:6; 23:24-26; 29:17

Is there one thing that stands out to you from these verses? If so, how could you incorporate it more into your life?

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### **Growth Group Discussion Questions:**

The following questions are to be discussed when your Growth Group meets this week.

**My Story:** Fill in the blanks - "I am most like my mom in that I \_\_\_\_\_." "I am most like my dad in that I \_\_\_\_\_."

### **Digging Deeper:**

1. Read Deuteronomy 6:4-8. What does this say about our values and priorities as parents? What does it say about our actions? How are parents supposed to "impress" the Word of God on their children?

2. Read Psalm 127. What does this tell us about God's role in the home? What does it tell us about the role and responsibility of parents? What does it tell us about the value and potential of children?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. This passage is often read during weddings about the marriage relationship, but think about its relevance to the parent/child relationship. Which quality of love mentioned in this passage is a strength of your parenting? Which is a weakness? Which has the greatest potential for improving your parenting right now?

**Living It:**

Pastor Larry talked about how important modeling is in parenting. Take some time now to think about how your daily life reflects what you hope your children will catch regarding what it means to know, love, and follow Jesus in the following areas...

- Serving and putting others first
- Forgiving others and owning up to our mistakes
- Loving your enemies
- Speaking the truth to others
- Time spent with God

Share with your group one area that you feel you need to improve as a model to your children. What action step(s) are you going to take?