

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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TRUTH #2

You're Not a Parent Because You're Able

Psalm 103:13

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NOTES

1. Open with prayer. (2-5 min)
2. Read Psalm 103:13.
3. Discuss these questions with your group. (20-45 min)

MY STORY | Vulnerability

How did you experience (or not) discipline growing up? Who was the primary figure of discipline in your early life? How did that shape who you are today? (7-10 min)

DIGGING DEEPER | Practical Biblical Application

As a father shows compassion to his children,

What might it look like to parent with compassion? What does a parent without compassion look like? How does such an individual impact his or her child?

so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. (Psalm 103:13)

The biblical use of the word “fear” is often misunderstood. What are synonyms that might help us better understand the idea?

What was most instrumental in shaping your own view of God?

GROWING TOGETHER | Spiritual Friendship

*For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust. (Psalm 103:14)*

React to the often-quoted statement: “Children are resilient”?

What can happen to a child when he or she is exposed to something beyond his or her capacity to process?

Did this ever happen to you? If you're willing, tell us what happened. How did you heal from that experience? In what ways are you still grieving that experience?

MOVING OUTWARD | Faith in Action

Is there a child in your sphere of influence that you could encourage or help shape their view of God? Who is that person and what could that look like? An affirming word? Empathy for what they are going through? A tangible offer of help or support?

Looking back at your notes from this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time, stuck with you, challenged or confused you?

What is the one important thing you will take away from this weekend's message or our community group discussion? Is there any challenge, difficulty or praise that you would like to share with the group for prayer?



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