

## Questions:

1. What are some things you liked about your family growing up? What were some of the negative aspects of your family life? Do you see any similarities between your current family and your family growing up?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17. Do you think this verse means that our past no longer impacts us when we become Christians? In what sense are we made new when we place our faith in Christ? What doesn't change about us?
3. Read Exodus 34:6-7. God does not punish children for the sins of their fathers, but often the sinful practices of one generation impact the next. Do you agree with Peter Scazzero's statement, "The blessings and sins of our families going back two or three generations profoundly impact who we are today?" Explain your answer. Can you think of any examples where this has been true in your life?
4. Read John 1:12-13 and Matthew 12:46-50. In what ways might having a new spiritual family break bad family patterns of the past? What are some resources that we have available to us for change?
5. How might a recognition of our own brokenness help us in our relationships with others?
6. How might you apply tonight's lesson to your life?