Cross Church Bible Group Homework Marriage, Money, and Minions This Week: Parenting and Grace Primary Bible Passages - Psalms 51

#### Starter Discussion

What are some of your favorite memories of your mother? If you're a mother, what do you enjoy about motherhood? What is hard about motherhood?

# **Key Thoughts**

Last week's key thought, "Your children need to see their sin, so they will cry out for grace and mercy"

How often do we measure parenting success on material achievements? School grades, sports accomplishments, musical skills, etc. While these are important they fail in comparison to leading our children to Christ.

What percentage of your time is spent on the most important thing compared to other things?

### Read Psalms 51

Ask your group to write down every thought that comes to mind about the nature of sin.

Who is it that we sin against? vs. 4 In what condition are we born into this world? vs. 5 What does God need to change first? vs. 10 To whom should we point our children for hope? vs. 14

# Your Role as a Parent

On Sunday we said, "Your job as a parent is to be a grace giver to your children."

How often do you do this?

In what ways do you do this?

Does being a grace giver mean having no rules and never saying no? Why or why not?

# **Being a First Responder Parent**

How would it change your approach to parenting if you took the first responder approach that we talked about on Sunday?

We said Sunday, "God doesn't get mad at us when we sin because he is afraid it will make him look bad. No, He grieves our sin because He knows the hurt it will cause His children."

How would emulating that change your approach to discipline and grace giving with your children?

How would understanding that truth change your relationship with God?