

What is Family Discipleship?

Excerpts from Matt Chandler and Adam Griffin, *Family Discipleship*

*If you do not teach your child **to** follow Jesus, the world will teach them **NOT** too.*

- Family Discipleship empowers you to be the spiritual leader of your home. It begins behind your front door.
- Discipling children in faith, which began at Baptism, means teaching your child the truths of the Catholic faith. Giving children a foundation in faith allows them to defend against the opinions of the world.
- At Sunday Mass, we remember and celebrate Jesus through Scripture, prayer and the Eucharist. We keep God's commandment when we celebrate at Mass. The Mass is not about us. Jesus invites us into His house to worship and celebrate His presence with us through Scripture,
- "Parents, the primary purpose of the home is evangelization and discipleship of your children, you cannot outsource this vital component in the rearing of your children." - Tony Evans
- Discipling children in faith should challenge you to **realign your priorities**, to acknowledge that the spiritual feeding and spiritual covering of your children is just as vital to you and your family as your child's physical feeding and physical covering.
- Discipling children aligns their hearts with what is true, the reality of the one true God.
- Family Discipleship requires you to lead and serve. Focus your energy on others as Jesus did in His ministry.

A disciple of Jesus Christ is one who loves God, loves others, and transforms our world through love. As you lead your family in discipleship, teach your children about God through Scripture and prayer.

"Train a child in the way he should go-but be sure you go that way yourself."-Charles Spurgeon