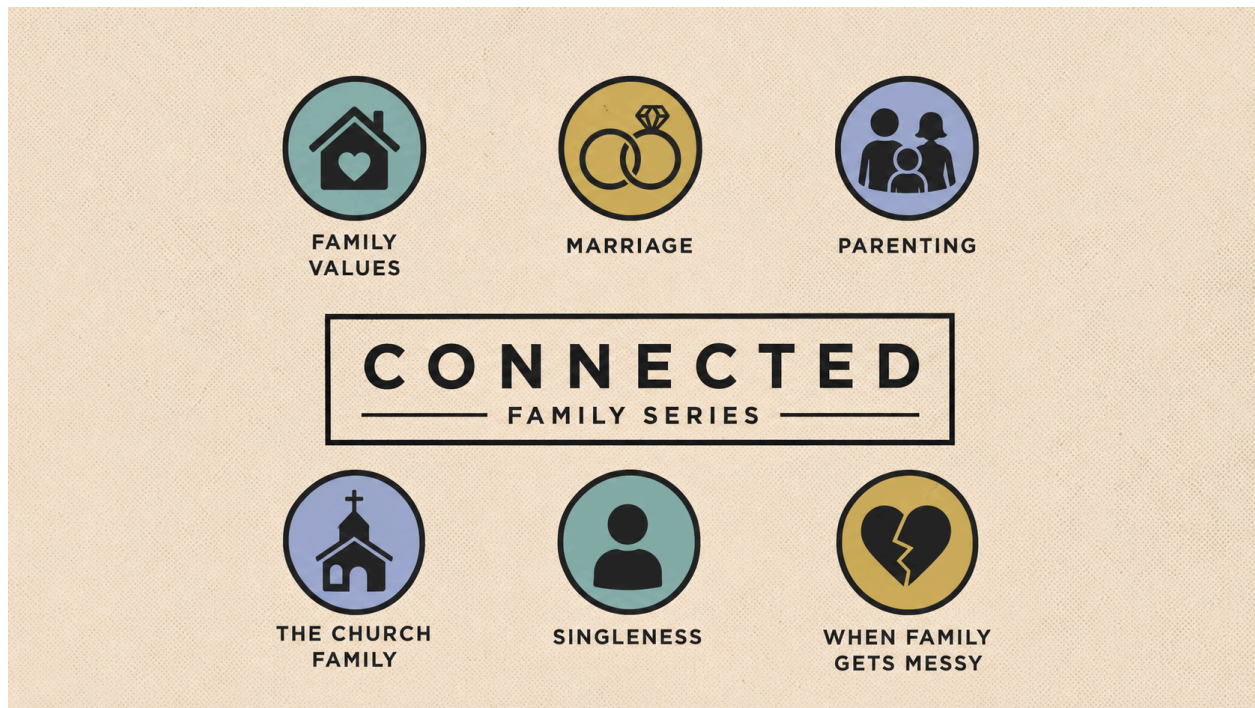




August 30, 2026
Connected Family
Main Text

Pastor Trey Hildebrant
The Church Family
Galatians 6:10

Discussion Questions

Belong: Icebreaker:

What is your favorite television show that features a family and why? Who is your favorite character? (It can be a current show or something you watched growing up.)

Welcome to the “Connected FAMILY Series”. We believe God has created us for connection with others, and the most meaningful connection happens in the home. Families are God’s plan for life-long, intimate connection and relationships.

This is what we are calling a **“kitchen table” series**. We want to get to conversations and life questions that are on your mind. In this “Connected” series, we’ll dig into the

foundations of a godly family and how to build a healthy home. Over the next few weeks we will discuss:

- Family Foundations 8/9/26
- Marriage 8/16/26
- Parenting 8/23/26
- Singleness & The Family of God 8/30/26
- When Family Gets Messy 9/6/26

Believe:

Read Galatians 6:10

What do you think of when you hear the word “Household” ? Why do you think Paul adds “of faith” to this context? What does he mean?

Note: The Greek word used here is “Oikos” and it means extended beyond a physical home to include a family that goes beyond biological relationships.

Tell us about your household of faith. What does it look like? How long have you been part of it?

How might a household of faith be different from your family household?

Why might understanding the church as a ‘household of faith’ be especially meaningful for someone who is single?

*“Galatians 6:10 teaches a **theological principle**, but it also reflects a **historical need**. Paul wrote to the Galatian Church under **opposition**. This church was under persecution, believers faced hostility from the outside world and were sometimes rejected by their own biological families, **leaving them dependent on one another inside of the church**. The bonds connecting believers in Jesus created a family dynamic that carried them through that intense need.”* Pastor Trey Hildebrant

Become:

Read Galatians 6:2

What do you think Paul meant when he said we were to “bear each other’s burdens?”

Think of a time when the burden you were carrying was too much for you and your church family stepped in to “help” bear the burden. What happened? How did it help you endure that particular season? What did you learn?

How have you helped bear the burden for someone else in your church family?

Which is easier for you? Being the one who helps or being in need? Share with the group.

Read 1 Corinthians 7:7, 17

What stands out to you about the way Paul talks about singleness in these verses?

*“But, regardless of marital status, **God did not create human beings to be isolated individuals.** The Church is where people who need a family find family.”* - Pastor Trey Hildebrant

Sometimes marriage is treated as the goal and singleness as a season to get through. How does Scripture challenge that way of thinking?

How can we as a church encourage our single family members and help them feel seen, known and loved?

Read Ephesians 2:13-19

What stands out to you from this passage?

What makes it possible for strangers to become family and even friends?

How can we remember this truth and extend this same type of grace to others? Especially new people who come to our church family? What does this look like in a simple practical way on a Sunday morning? During the week? When you are at work? At home? With friends?

Who do you know who needs to be invited into the family here at First Orlando?

Closing:

- Reminder: Today is Communion Sunday. Encourage your group members to attend service. You might suggest sitting together.
- Spend time praying together for our First Orlando family.

- Suggestion: Plan a time to get together as a group outside of regular group time.
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