

The Church vs. Home Discipleship Assessment

Evaluating How Well Your Church Empowers Families to Lead Spiritual Formation at Home

Over 90% of parents have no intentional plan for their children’s spiritual development at home. This assessment helps your leadership team identify where your church stands — and what to do next. Score each statement honestly: 1 = Not at all, 2 = Rarely, 3 = Sometimes, 4 = Often, 5 = Consistently.

SECTION 1 – VISION & PHILOSOPHY

1. Our church has a clearly articulated, biblical vision for family discipleship. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
2. Our senior pastor regularly teaches on the role of parents as primary disciple-makers. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
3. Our ministry philosophy positions the church as equipping families, not replacing them. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
4. We evaluate our programs by how well they empower parents, not just how many attend. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
5. Families in our church understand that discipleship begins at home. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

SECTION 2 – PROGRAMMING VS. EMPOWERMENT

1. Our children’s and youth programs are designed to supplement, not substitute, parental discipleship. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
2. We intentionally create space in programming for parents to be involved alongside their children. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
3. We regularly evaluate whether our programs are creating parental dependency. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
4. Our events and series include clear ‘take-home’ discipleship components for families. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
5. We have reduced or restructured programs that were unintentionally replacing the parent’s role. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

SECTION 3 – PARENT ENGAGEMENT

1. Parents in our church feel equipped and confident to lead spiritual conversations at home. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
2. We regularly survey parents about their discipleship practices and confidence levels. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
3. We celebrate and highlight families who are actively discipling at home. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
4. Our church provides regular training events specifically designed to equip parents. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
5. We have a clear pathway that moves parents from passive attendees to active disciple-makers. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

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SECTION 4 – TRAINING & RESOURCES

1. We offer regular parent discipleship training (workshops, classes, or cohorts). (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
2. We provide practical, easy-to-use resources for families to use at home. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
3. Our church has a family discipleship curriculum or resource library available to parents. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
4. We train and deploy family ministry coaches or mentors to support parents. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
5. We partner with parents to set annual spiritual growth goals for their families. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

SECTION 5 – CULTURE OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. Family discipleship is a celebrated and visible value in our church culture. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
2. We tell stories of families who are actively discipling at home from the stage or in communications. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
3. Our staff models and personally practices family discipleship in their own. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
4. We hold ourselves accountable to a clear family ministry strategy and annual goals. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
5. Our church culture makes it easy — not burdensome — for families to prioritize discipleship at home. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

SCORING GUIDE

SCORE RANGE	WHAT IT MEANS
85–100	Thriving — Your church is a model of family discipleship partnership.
65–84	Growing — Strong foundation with clear opportunities to go deeper.
45–64	Developing — Good intentions but significant gaps in empowering parents.
25–44	Emerging — Family discipleship is not yet a strategic priority.
Below 25	Critical — Urgent need to realign your ministry philosophy.

NEXT STEPS

1. Share these results with your leadership team.
2. Identify your lowest-scoring section and commit to one action step this month.
3. Contact LegacyMakers for a free 30-minute consultation: ben@chooseourlegacy.com

“The future of the church depends on reclaiming the home.”