

Next Gen Small Groups November WK. 4 You Can Find Family In Church

Key Verse: "God places the lonely in families." – Psalm 68:6

SUMMARY

Family can be complicated. Some of us feel close to our families, while others feel hurt, distant, or disconnected. The good news is that God created the church to be like a family for us — a place where we belong, are supported, and are loved. You don't have to go through life alone because *You Can Find Family in Church*.

ICEBREAKER

If you could pick any famous person to "adopt" you into their family for a week, who would it be and why? (Athlete, musician, YouTuber, celebrity, etc.)

DISCUSSION STARTER

Sometimes families are messy. Some of us come from supportive families, while others carry a lot of hurt from theirs. Church can be that safe place where we find the family we've been missing.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What are some words you'd use to describe your family?
- 2. How does it feel to think of church as a "family"?
- 3. Why do you think God wants us to be part of both an earthly family and a church family?
- 4. How have you seen friends or mentors at church support one another?
- 5. What's one step you could take to get connected to a church family this week?

ACTIVITY:

Hand out slips of paper and pens. Have students quietly write down three qualities they'd want in a "family" (for example: supportive, fun, forgiving, safe). Collect the slips and read them back *anonymously* as a group. Then ask: "Which of these qualities do you think the church can provide?"

WRAP-UP

Families aren't perfect — not at home and not even at church. But God designed the church to be a family where we belong, are loved, and can grow together. Remember this week: **You Can Find Family in Church**.