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SERMON OUTLINE

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Multiply – God’s discipleship plan for the family

- I. What – God’s purpose for the family is spiritual multiplication.
  - A. God’s designed a man and his wife to have true oneness in marriage (Genesis 2:18-25).
  - B. God unites a man and wife to multiply their spiritual impact through children (Malachi 2:13-16).
  - C. We choose if it is our priority to serve the Lord and influence our children to serve Him (Joshua 24:14-15).
- II. How – God’s plan for our parenting is to influence our children toward a sincere faith and service.
  - A. We influence our children by our spiritual authenticity (2 Timothy 1: 5).
    - *Sincere faith* – Our authenticity as parents is our greatest example, not just our standards or behavior.
  - B. We influence our children by showing them how to depend on God’s word (2 Timothy 3:12-16).
    - *All scripture* – As godliness is attacked by our culture, our children need to know our own radical dependence on God’s word, so they can learn to depend on God, not us.