

Week 2 | Every Parent's Calling

Pastor Tom Mullins | April 13-14

WARM UP

What did you think the three words were going to be when Pastor Tom told his story at the start of the message? What did you think about the three words he told his daughter: called, loved, kept?

INTRODUCTION

We continued our *Let's Talk Family* series this week with an incredible message from Pastor and Coach, Tom Mullins, from Christ Fellowship Church. Pastor Tom talked about every parent's (and grandparent's) calling, but his words apply to all of us. Today, let's discuss what it means to be **called**, **loved**, and **kept** by God, and how we can instill these beliefs into our children, grandchildren, and others.

DISCUSSION

These questions are a guide. Please select the ones that will work best for your group. You do not have to discuss them all.

Read Jude 1:1. This verse forms the basis for everything we will talk about today. Parents are called by God to help their children in three ways:

Help your children understand their <u>calling</u>.

- 1. What do you think it means to help kids know their calling?
- 2. Why is it important for our kids to know their calling? What does it do?

Help your children embrace God's love.

- 3. Tell us about a time when someone loved you, and it opened you more to God's love for you.
- 4. How can we help our kids open up to God's love? What are some practical ways?
- 5. Do you do this enough with your kids, grandkids, or others?

Help your children know they are kept by Christ.

- 6. What do you think it means to be "kept" by God?
- 7. How does knowing we are kept by God affect us? What does it do for us?
- 8. How can we instill confidence in our kids, grandkids, or others?

APPLICATION

Which of the three areas we talked about today (called, kept, loved) do you need to grow in the most? If you have kids or grandkids, which of these three areas do you need to work on instilling right now?

PRAYER

- Pray for anyone who responded to the application questions above.
- Pray for everyone in your group to know they are called, kept, and loved by God.
- Take prayer requests and pray for any needs in the group.