

SEND THEM OUT LIKE ARROWS (SHOOTING STRAIGHT 4) PHILIPPIANS 2:19-23 AUGUST 26, 2018

GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. THINK OF THE INTENTIONALITY OF SHOOTING A REAL ARROW. DISCUSS THE THOUGHTS THAT GO INTO SHOOTING AN ARROW.
- 2. IS IT HARD FOR YOU TO LET GO OF YOUR CHILDREN? WHAT FEARS DO YOU HAVE WHEN THINKING ABOUT SENDING THEM OUT?
- 3. WE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO LET GO OF OUR CHILDREN IF OUR HOPE IS IN OUR OWN "ABILITY" TO PROTECT THEM. IN WHAT AREAS DO YOU FIND YOURSELF PLACING YOUR HOPE IN YOURSELF OR OTHER THINGS INSTEAD OF IN GOD?
- 4. THERE'S A FINE LINE BETWEEN PROTECTING OUR KIDS FROM DANGER AND BEING OVERPROTECTIVE. DISCUSS A PROPER BALANCE.
- 5. OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE CHILDREN THAT NOT JUST SURVIVE THE WORLD, BUT THAT CHANGE THE WORLD. WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO PREPARE OUR CHILDREN TO BE DANGEROUS?
- 6. WHAT ARE PRACTICAL WAYS YOU CAN AIM YOUR KIDS AWAY FROM THEMSELVES? WHAT ARE PRACTICAL WAYS YOU CAN AIM THEM TOWARDS THE LORD AND HIS WORK? WHAT WAYS HAVE YOU DONE THIS IN YOUR FAMILY?
- 7. DISCUSS ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS PASTOR TRENT & ANDREA WENT THROUGH.
 - HOW CAN WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THE DAY WE SEND OUR CHILDREN OUT? WHAT END GOAL HAVE YOU BEEN FOCUSING ON AS A PARENT?
 - WHAT PREVENTS US FROM LETTING GO OF OUR CHILDREN? IS YOUR LIFE TOO CHILD-CENTERED THAT YOU'VE LOST SIGHT OF YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR SPOUSE OR WITH GOD?
 - O HOW CAN PARENTS AND THE CHURCH PARTNER TOGETHER TO PREPARE OUR KIDS FOR LAUNCH? WHAT TRIBES ARE YOUR KIDS IN (SPORTS, NEIGHBORHOOD FRIENDS, SCHOOL FRIENDS, ETC) THAT THEY MIGHT FEEL MORE AT HOME IN THAN THEIR CHURCH TRIBE? ARE THEY IN AREAS THAT ALLOW OTHER PEOPLE AT CHURCH TO POUR INTO THEM? WHAT STEPS COULD YOU TAKE TO HELP YOUR KIDS FEEL LIKE THEY BELONG TO THIS TRIBE?
 - WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO PARENTS WHOSE CHILDREN DON'T SEEM TO BE LISTENING TO THEM? DO YOU FEEL LIKE YOUR KIDS HEARS YOU?