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ICEBREAKER

Share a picture on your phone that brings you joy?

BIBLE: Read Matthew 5:3-10

Read

1. What is the most repeated word in this passage? What does this tell you about our King and His Kingdom?
2. Do any of these character qualities surprise you as being a blessing? How can we encourage these qualities in our Ohana groups?
3. Jesus gives eight different descriptions of people. Which do you identify with most today?
4. What is the promise of His Kingdom that Jesus gives with your chosen verse? Why does it serve as a fountain of joy?
5. **Read Deuteronomy 5: 6,7.** How is remembering their past slavery in Egypt important as the Israelites are about to be reminded of God's commands? What is the temptation that comes with having freedom?
6. Practice saying the first commandment (vs7). See as a group if you can say all 10 in order without looking.
7. How is the first commandment the first step to blessing your family?

APPLICATION

1. Which beatitude from Matt 5:3-10 would you like as a blessing over your family, our church?
2. If a non-Christian friend stays in your home, what evidences would he see in your family that you serve the LORD and no other. Be as specific and practical as you can.
3. What change does God want in your home as Father and King to bring His kingdom promises to your family?
4. Read in unison Joshua 25: 15 the first step to joy, "As for me and our Ohana we will serve the LORD."

PRAY

Use one of the beatitudes to pray a blessing over your family, someone else pray over your Ohana, and another pray over our church.

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That we may "continue in Jesus" so that when He appears, we may be confident and unashamed before Him at His coming.

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