

TABLETS



House Rules

Tablets in Your Home | Part 1

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Heads Up #1: Everybody's family is _____.

Heads Up #2: You could do everything right and still

_____.

Heads Up #3: Things tend to work out better over time when
we _____ biblical principles.

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Heads Up #4: What you learn in this series may have less to do
with you than with your _____.



While the Mosaic Law _____ us about
commandments, God's grace _____ us to make
commitments.

Human beings were _____ to be
_____.

1. Connect the dots between God's _____ and
the _____ He created.



2. You can either face reality or keep _____
_____.

- *As you work out your personal budget, what things do you plan to spend your money on?*
- *As you reflect on your day, what subjects dominated the conversations in your family?*
- *As you plan your week, what activities will supersede your family's ability to worship God?*



Small Group Questions

1. When you think about the family you grew up in, was it more of a lawless family, a "spirit of the law" family, or a "letter of the law" family?

READ EXODUS 20:1-6

2. Why did the Israelites need these specific instructions from God? Why did God need to remind His people of what He had done for them?

3. In what sense do you think God is "jealous"? How is that different from the way we might be jealous?

4. We may not struggle with serving the "official" gods of the ancient world, but what are some modern-day gods people worship? What are some gods your family might worship?

5. At what point can something good, something that God designed and wants your family to enjoy, become a god in your life? How do you know when something like that happens?

6. At its root meaning, idolatry is the worship of created things in place of the worship of Creator God. What created things are most tempting for you to worship or idolize: Money? Pleasure? Food? Toys? Work? Yourself? Why are you tempted by those things?

7. Read Joshua 24:15 and Deuteronomy 6:4-9. These passages talk about the importance of setting boundaries and becoming exemplary parents. What are some practices you are doing in your family to pass on your faith? If you're single, what are you doing that would demonstrate your values to your future family?

8. Pastor Tom asked the following questions for us to consider this week. As you talk through them with your group, share some practical ways you and your family are keeping God first in everything you do.

