

Humility in Parenting - Stef Rohler

Obviously humility in parenting involves serving. But when do we go wrong with that idea? Does parenting with humility involve more than just serving our kids like Cinderella? What does humble parenting really involve and how can we learn about that from how Jesus mentored his disciples? How do we keep from having our kids become our idols and stay humble to God?

Engage the Bible: Phil 2:3-8, John 13:3-4, & Eph 4:1-2, 6:4 - Read and discuss as a group and then talk through the small group questions below.

Icebreaker:

Share some gross humiliating parenting stories, either if you were the parent or you were the kid, or one you just observed. (My husband finished eating a piece of pizza while carrying our puke-covered kid to the bath in the other arm. Hey, you gotta eat when you can as a dad!)

Small Group Questions:

- What are some ways Jesus showed humility in his relationships?
- How can we use humility in the same way in our family or work relationships?
- John 13. Jesus didn't wash his disciples' feet IN SPITE of being God. He realized he
 was God and THEREFORE washed their feet. Why? In what ways is a humble person
 the most powerful of all?
- How does it change your view of discipline when you think of it by its real root meaning: teaching?
- How important is time in parenting? How well do you allocate time in your relationships? Are there seasons where time is spent differently?
- Have you ever let a relationship become more important than your relationship with God, and therefore an idol?