



5/ Family

Who can ever forget Winston Churchill's immortal words: "We shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills." It sounds exactly like our family vacation. [Robert Orben](#).

An exhaustive study shows that no woman has ever shot her husband while he was doing the dishes. [Earl Wilson](#).

Ephesians 2:19 (read from 2.14)

¹⁹ So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family. (NLT)

Ephesians 1:5

⁵ His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave him great pleasure.

Luke 8:19

¹⁹ Once when Jesus' mother and brothers came to see him, they couldn't get to him because of the crowds.

Psalms 68:6

⁶ **God places the lonely in families;
he sets the prisoners free and gives them joy.
But for rebels, there is only famine and distress.**

'A family man' says Roby Goff, who is one, 'Is a fellow who has replaced the currency in his wallet with snapshots.' Presbyterian life.



Is church to you more formality than family?

Formality

There for pleasure. Hedonistic.
If it feels good I'll do it.

There for comfort (Comfortable)

Strong desires to be successful

Selective in friendships

Defensive

Cautious

Guarded

Superficial Bond

Inquisitive (More interested in what Happened)

Bare the load alone

Mine & Theirs

Family

There for life. Understands that For Better or for worse

There for comfort

Strong desires to see others successful

Open armed to all

Protective

Trusting

Sacrificial

Supernatural Bond

Concerned (How can I help?)

Share the load

All things in common

We need to ask ourselves 2 questions?

1/ God what are you talking to me about?

2/ God what do I need to do about it?

Do we belong to a family here or are we just formal. If we are formal we need to become family.

God sets the lonely in families, if you feel alone here this morning God wants to add you, reassure you of your position in His family.