

Having a Good Journey In Your Family



3 John 2

- The word “prosper” means to have a good journey.
- Purpose: to help us build relationships with people so that they will be edified and strengthened.
- Goal: (1) to strengthen our relationship with God and man. (2) to make us aware how important it is for us to minister to our family and others.
- When we talk about having a good journey in relationships I am mostly talking about family.
- The family is critical because of its unique role in reflecting the unique relationship between Christ and His church.
- Dr. Tony Evans share a story about how he noticed in his home some cracks on the inside wall of their home.
- The Word of God tells us another story about the need for a strong foundation (Matt. 7:24-27).
- One man built his house on the solid foundation of rock.
- A house can refer to a person’s life, church, or even our society (Psalm 11:3).

1. We must lay a solid foundation for the family.

A. The devastation of divorce (Mal. 2:16).

- The definition of what it means to be in a family has been altered in our chaotic society.
- B. The disintegration of the family is the single most devastating internal issue facing our nation and communities.**
 - When fathers abandon their families, sons learn that this is an option for them in the future, and daughters learn to fear a similar desertion by the man she marries.
 - If we are going to rebuild our communities morally, spiritually, and socially, it will have to begin by rebuilding the foundations of families.

2. The origin of the family is from God (Gen. 1:26-28).

A. The family is God’s idea.