



# GULF SHORES

CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Sunday Morning Sermon

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### LESSON #1 = Why God Matters

Introduction: In this series we are going to take a close look at the home. We realize that the marriage was the first institution and the family unit is a distinct part of it. What does God expect in the home? What parts of the family are most important? In this lesson we will see why God matters...

Discussion:

#### **I. God Wants A Holy Covenant With His People**

- A. The covenant is a contract with a holy God (**Matthew 5:48**).
- B. The covenant is a commitment to the holy work (**Matthew 6:33**).
- C. The covenant is a compulsion to living a holy life (**Matthew 7:24-27**).

#### **II. God Wants A Holy Covenant With The Family**

- A. God has a plan for your spouse (**Genesis 2:18-25**).
- B. God has a plan for your parents (**Exodus 20:12**).
- C. God has a plan for your children (**Proverbs 22:6**).

#### **III. God Wants A Holy Covenant Between Brothers & Sisters**

- A. It is good for us to love each other (**John 13:34-35**).
- B. It is good for us to serve each other (**Acts 2:42-45**).
- C. It is good for us to unify with each other (**I Corinthians 1:10**).



#### **IV. God Wants A Holy Covenant On His Terms**

- A. He requires honesty and integrity (**Matthew 6:2, 5, 16**).
- B. He requires faithfulness and sacrifice (**Luke 16:10, Acts 2, 4**).
- C. He requires patience and perseverance (**I Corinthians 15:58, Ephesians 4:2**).

Conclusion: We hope that you will join us for this entire series. We will see that God loves the home. He has a plan for the home and the family. Family matters to God and it should matter to us. How is your home? How is your relationship with God? What can you do to prove to God, and the world, that the family matters to you? May God bless the home!