## Scripture this week:

## Proverbs 14:26

<sup>14</sup> In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge.

### Proverbs 22:6

6 Train up a child in the way he should go;even when he is old he will not depart from it.

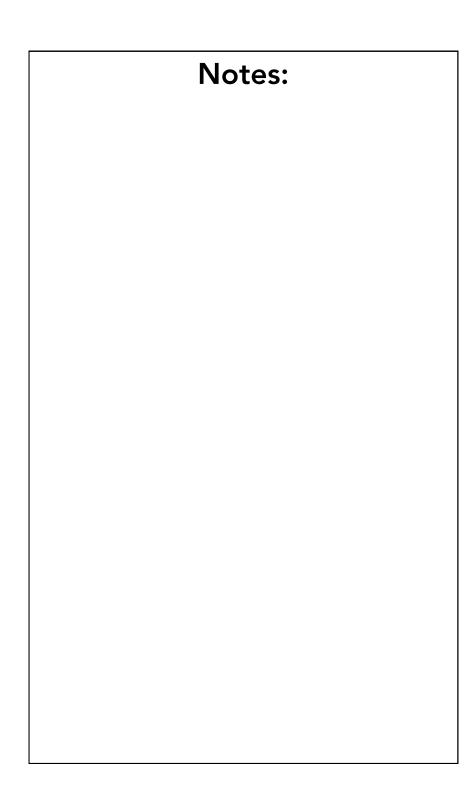
### Families: From Surviving to Thriving

Proverbs 14:26; 22:6

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1) Parents treasuring Jesus ("fearing the Lord") is the foundation.

2) Parents happily taking the responsibility for guiding our kids is the key.



# Life Group Discussion Questions Based on Proverbs 14:26; 22:6

### **Getting Started**

- 1. What do you think are the biggest challenges or obstacles to effective parenting in our culture today?
- 2. Looking back, what lessons about parenting (positive or negative) have you learned from your folks?
- 3. What opportunities do you think parents have to help shape their kids' faith? What are the limits and liabilities of pressing too hard or not enough?

### Digging into the Text

- 4. Read Proverbs 14:26 and 22:6 and respond to these questions:
- In your own words, what are the main points of these verses?
- Looking at 14:26, how is a parent's "fear of the Lord" connected to their "confidence" and helping their kids have a "refuge"?
- What does the author mean by "refuge"? Have you personally experienced what you think is meant by it?
- In 22:6, how would you define what the author means by "train up"? In what ways are parents encouraged to develop their kids' faith and help steer them in the right direction?
- What is the general truth intended by "even when he is old he will not depart from it"? How does training up a child change as kids grow up?

### Applying It to My Life

- 5. How would you describe the way in which you are modeling your faith to your kids (or, if you do not have children, your closest friends and family)? Is there a specific step you could take that you think would help you better encourage their faith in Jesus?
- 6. How can the group be praying for you as we seek to treasure and trust Jesus and intentionally pass our faith on to the next generation?