

Sermon Discussion:

# Family30, Part III

## Let's Recap:

This weekend, we took a look at what the Bible says on the topic of blended, mended and extended families. Oftentimes, it's these areas of family that bring the most pain. Despite the hard situations we find ourselves in, God has a plan for those who find themselves without family.

## Tune In:

Take a moment to read Romans 11:11-22 and James 1:27 to prepare for your discussion.

## Go Deep:

1. Look at the passage from Romans 11. Paul is talking about God's people, and how those who were not included in God's promises originally— now are! How does God's plan for His people look similar to God's plan for blended, mended and extended family?
2. What does James 1:27 tell us about God's heart for those broken off from their family?
3. Pastor Rob called a challenge for us to be *proactive* in taking care of the widows and orphans at River Valley Church. What are ways we can be proactive in taking care of those with family hurts in our own lives?

## Live Out:

It is God's nature to bring those who were once outside, to be inside. Although the Gentiles were not God's people originally, we are grafted into His amazing family through Jesus! Let this inclusion be lived out in every area of your life this week, and may that inclusion from God spread into the lives of others!