LIFEGROUPS DISCUSSION

Use these questions in your Life Group gatherings or for further discussion as a family.

DO NOT MURDER | JULY 24, 2022

SERMON RECAP | Genesis 9:5-7

The 6th commandment introduces a grouping of three commandments given to laws of justice and social responsibility to and for our neighbor's life. Beyond understanding what is murder, we will explore the call to give an accounting for our neighbor's life and God's heart to see life multiply across the earth.

THE LEAD IN

• There are thousands of murders (homicides) committed daily in the United States. What are some of the causes of this depressing statistic?

GETTING INTO THE TEXT

- Let's do some definition work. What is murder? What is not murder? What is 'heart' murder? Support your thoughts with scripture.
- Why did God give us this 6th commandment? What would life look life without it? What would happen if we only had "Avengers of Blood" instead of a justice system? (See Deuteronomy 19.)

GOING DEEPER

- Anger, rage, and hatred are common feelings for each of us. (See Colossians 3:8.) When do you typically feel these? How do you drive them out? Use Colossians 3 as a guide to answer this.
- From Colossians 3, what is one thing you can do today to bring life to another person through your thoughts, words, and/or actions?

PRAYER

• Pray for each other as we each battle temptation every day. Pray that we can through Christ "put off our old selves and put on the new self, which is being renewed after the image of our creator" (Colossians 3:9-10).