



# STUDY GUIDE

## ANCIENT WAYS FOR THE MODERN FAMILY 8.20.2017

### [set up]

Can you honestly say that you love God with everything, above everything?

How does your life (your schedule, your actions, your language, your priorities) affirm or deny your answer?

What things in your life battle with God for the top spot?

### [digging deeper]

Look Back

Share a time in your life when the Lord's discipline was needed in your life.

#### **Read Hebrews 12:3-11.**

What should our posture be towards the discipline of the Lord?

What is it that discipline produces?

Look Forward

#### **Read Hebrews 10:26.**

#### **Now read Hebrews 10:19-25.**

How does assurance of salvation in verses 19-25 relate to the caution in verse 26?

The importance of obedience as it relates to our salvation is a difficult subject. If you have time in your group, read the following article from John MacArthur and discuss.

<https://www.gty.org/library/bibleqnas-library/QA0171/can-believers-continue-in-patterns-of-willful-sin>

Look up

#### **Read 1 Timothy 4:1-4.**

What does this teach us about the things that God has created?

What are some of the things that God has created that you really enjoy?

Sin is always an issue of disordered love - loving something else more than God.

Be vulnerable with your group - what are some of the things that you are tempted to love more than God?

In what areas are you trusting yourself against God?

Here is a hard one - ask the others in your group if there are blind spots in your life that you are not seeing. Do THEY see you loving or trusting in other things?

## **[living it out]**

Consider the three areas that we talked about in this week's sermon:

Look back

Look forward

Look up.

What is one action step that you need to take in each area? Share with your group, write them down, and then check in next time your group gets together.