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**SESSION 4 | CONVERSATIONS THAT
REFLECTS GOD'S UNWAVERING GRACE**

I. Discipleship as Conversation

- They serve as invitations

- They serve as a refuge

- Common hindrances
 - **Misplaced worship**

 - **Arrogant judgments**

 - **Selfishness**

- **Failure to encourage**

Parenting should be filled with ongoing conversations that usher in God's transforming grace.

II. The Content of Our Conversations: Transfer a Right Knowledge of God to Our Teens

- Consider how Scripture speaks about our **content**

Take in and treasure the knowledge of God to personally know and experience God's mercy.

III. The Intent of Our Conversations: Transfer God's Grace to Our Teens

- Consider how Scripture speaks about our **intent**

Transfer the knowledge of God to our children.

- Understand your teen theologically
 - They are image bearers.

 - They are worshippers.

 - They are sinners.

 - They need a Savior.

 - They need others.

- Understand your teen personally
 - Study your teen
 - Where are you encouraged lately?
 - In what ways have you seen God at work in your life or in others' lives that has encouraged you?

- Where do you need wisdom?

- What do you find yourself thinking about recently? What do you find yourself most excited about?

- How are you and I doing?
 - Is there anything I have said or done that would cause you to struggle or you would want to bring to my attention?
 - Are you more aware of my encouragement or of my correction?
 - Can I tell you some ways I have been encouraged by you?

- How are your friendships going?
 - Are there any unresolved relational issues among you and your family or friends?
 - Are there any guys/girls that you are having a hard time not thinking about lately? Do you have any questions about relationships?
 - Would you describe your friends as the wise friends of Prov. 13.20? What are they passionate about and why?

- How would you describe your relationship with God in this season?
 - What are you reading?
 - What are you praying about?
 - Are you benefitting from your devotional times or do you find yourself doing them out of obligation?
 - Where would you like to grow in Christlikeness?

- Where are you burdened?
 - Is there anything troubling your conscience lately?
 - Have you said or done something that you know is wrong but you're having a hard time processing?

- Pray for your teen

- Connect God's Word to your teen
- Recognize what hinders conversations with your teen
- Remember your ultimate goal: to make disciples

IV. Conclusion: Your Next Conversation with Your Teen