# DISCUSSION GUIDE

#### WHAT'S UP? - ME AND MY KIDS

**Key Scriptures:** 

Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Proverbs 3:5-6, Luke 3:22, Hebrews 12:11

**River Ridge Core Value:** 

WE NEVER STOP GROWING

### **Getting Started:**

1. What is one thing you said you would never do or you would do when you were parent before you had kids, but didn't follow through when you became a parent?

## **Digging Deeper:**

- 2. What stood out to you most from this message? Were there any questions that you had after listening to Chad's message?
- 3. Prior to Sunday's message, what would you say your goal of parenting is? Do you intentionally go after that goal? Do you have a plan for accomplishing it?
- 4. Chad said, "God's goal for parenting is to transfer a child's dependence away from their parents and onto Him. What do you think about this?
- 5. Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9 and Proverbs 3:5-6.
- 6. How do these verses help shape our understanding of God's goal for parenting?
- 7. Read Luke 3:22.
- 8. As we are fighting for the hearts of our children, are they hearing the things they need to hear? How have you been able to say this to them?
- 9. Chad said, "part of our responsibility as parents is also to train our kids to monitor what's going on in their hearts..." How have you been able to do this in the past?
- 10. How have you widened the circle of influence for your kids? Who else are they listening to right now? Who do you want in their life?

# **Looking Inward:**

- 11. Am I fighting for their heart? What one step can you take this week?
- 12. Am I training their heart through godly discipline?
- 13. Am I modeling for them an authentic relationship with God?
- 14. Am I inviting others to have influence in their faith?