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# Commit YOUR Home TO God

## WORDS HAVE POWER

Jesus said, “whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” (Matthew 16:19) What we proclaim over our lives and what we declare over our households matters!

After leading Israel for 40 years, Joshua gave a speech calling the people to make the most important decision there is about the status of their families and their households. Joshua told the people, “Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve... as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” (Joshua 24:15)

## SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY AT HOME

The Body of Christ is at its most effective when every Christian home has someone within the home who is providing spiritual leadership, encouragement, and discipleship for the members of their individual household.

You don't need a seminary degree or a certificate of ordination to lead your household to God. As a leader in your home, you are authorized by Jesus (Matthew 28:18-20) and commissioned by the Church (1 Peter 2:4-9; Revelation 5:6-10) to provide spiritual leadership for your household!





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## DECLARE IT!

Gather your family together, and speak this truth over yourself and your household today: “This place is Yours, Jesus! I am Yours. My family is Yours. And our home is Yours.”

Proclaim it, aloud, over your home today: “This home will be a place of courage and faith. It will not be a place of fear. Anxiety is not welcome here. This will be a place of hope, a source of light and life for all who dwell and visit here. This day, and our lives, and our all exist for Your glory, God. May Your Kingdom come and Your will be done here in our home as it is in heaven.”

## LEARN BY DOING:

Walk around your home together as a family, and ask your family members to call out the different spaces and items they want to commit to the Lord:

- *“Our living room is Yours, Lord.”*
- *“Father, be present with us at our dining table.”*
- *“May the conversations that happen in our kitchen honor You, God.”*
- *“We commit the entryway to our home to You, Jesus! May all who enter here encounter Your love and grace.”*

Visit each bedroom in your home, and ask those whose room it is to invite the Lord’s Presence into their room. If you have younger children, you can guide them to think about the different things they do in their room, and commit those to Jesus:

- *“Jesus, please be with me as I play with my toys.”*
- *“Help me to be kind and generous with my siblings and friends.”*
- *“Fill my mind with truth and beauty as I sleep.”*

If you have older children, invite them to commit their rooms to the Lord:

- *“Lord Jesus, I invite You to fill my bedroom with Your Spirit.”*
- *“Surround me and guide me as I text and talk with friends.”*
- *“Help me to seek Your face, hear Your voice, and make wise decisions.”*

In the parents’ bedroom, declare aloud for your family that you want to honor God in your lives as adults and with your marriage. Ask God to meet with you as you pray and read His Word each day. Ask your kids to pray for you, that God would help you be Godly spouses and parents.

In the bathrooms, ask God to help you see yourselves as He sees you. Look in the mirror, and speak out the truth of your identity in Christ: “I am a beloved child of Almighty God! Redeemed and set free by Jesus. Filled by His Spirit. With good works which He has prepared in advance and equipped and authorized me to do!”

