

THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY - A DOMESTIC CHURCH

From the beginning, families who became believers were like **ISLANDS OF CHRISTIAN LIFE** in an unbelieving world.

In our own time, in a world often hostile to faith, believing families are of primary importance as centres of living, radiant faith.

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1. In what way is the world 'hostile' or dangerous to our faith?

The Christian family is a communion of persons, a **SIGN and IMAGE** of the communion of the Father and the Son, in the Holy Spirit.

In the procreation and education of children, it reflects the Father's work of creation.

It is called to partake of the prayer and sacrifice of Christ.

Daily prayer and reading of the Word of God strengthens it in charity.

The Christian family has an evangelising and missionary task.

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2. Why is a believing family important today?

3. What should our families be a sign of?

4. Give one way we can "partake of the sacrifice of Christ".

5. What will help us love one another?

6. How can we as a Christian family be missionary?

WHAT IS THE KEY TO BUILDING A STRONG AND HAPPY HOME?
(Read Luke 6:46-49)

