



Romans 12:1-2 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Romans 12:6-8 “We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then

serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.”

Icebreaker

What is one thing you celebrate about your family? How do you think your kids would answer?

Conversation Starters

1. What areas of your life are you most likely to compare people? Comparing yourself to others? Comparing your kids to other kids? Comparing other people by judging them?
2. What problems come with falling into the comparison trap? What problems have you experienced from comparing yourself or your kids to others.
3. Are you currently stuck in the comparison trap? Have you escaped the comparison trap before? What helped you escape?
4. Which part of TRAP is hardest for you? If your kids are old enough which part of TRAP would they say is hardest for you?
 Take your focus off others.
 Recognize the gifts in your kids and people around you.
 Allow space for failure
 Power of Yet.
5. Have someone read Romans 12:6-8 to the group. How do or could you start living in a way that recognizes gifts in your kids and people you work with our care deeply for?
6. As leaders of your family, how will you teach your family to recognize, celebrate and use their gifts to serve God, the church and the world?
7. How can our group help each other break out of the comparison trap? How can our group help each other Do what Romans 12:6-8 encourages?

