

**HOUSE RULES: INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIFE IN GOD’S FAMILY   
CARE FOR GOD’S KIDS**

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**PREACHING POINT: We should reflect God’s heart by showing the same vigilant care for one another that God and his angels show toward us.**

**Matthew 18:10–14 (ESV)**

10 “See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. 12 What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? 13 And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. 14 So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

1. **Match \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v.10)**
2. **Value \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v.12)**

1. **Eagerly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (vv.13-14)**

**Application Questions**

*These questions are provided for your further study and application of today’s sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today’s study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about LifeGroups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please visit compasshillcountry.org/lifegroups or email us at info@compasshillcountry.org.*

1. What is one observation or application you found helpful from this week’s sermon?

*This Week’s  
Bible Reading Schedule*

**October 12th**

*Isaiah 48-49 & Colossians 4*

**October 13th**

*Isaiah 50-52 & 1 Thess 1*

**October 14th**

*Isaiah 53-55 & 1 Thess 2*

**October 15th**

*Isaiah 56-58 & 1 Thess 3*

**October 16th**

*Isaiah 59-61 & 1 Thess 4*

**October 17th**

*Isaiah 62-64 & 1 Thess 5*

**October 18th**

*Isaiah 65-66 & 2 Thess 1*

**October 19th**

*Jeremiah 1-2 & 2 Thess 2*

1. Read Hebrews 1:14 and Matthew 18:10. How does your concern for a fellow child of God deepen when you consider how much heaven is invested in their care?  
     
     
     
   1. In what particular ways has your concern for God’s kids fallen short of matching heaven’s concern for them?
2. Read Matthew 10:29-31 and Matthew 18:12. How does God’s specific care for each child of God motivate you to grow in your love and care for each Christian?  
     
     
     
   1. How can you practically individualize your care and concern for each Christian?
   2. Why must we reject the impulse to forget about the one and focus on the ninety-nine?
3. Read Matthew 18:13-14 and 2 Corinthians 2:5-8. Why can eagerly welcoming back God’s wayward kids be a struggle for you?   
     
     
     
   1. How can you practically welcome back someone who has strayed from God and His church with genuine gladness?