# Preparing for Adolescence

#### **Church Ceremony:**

4th & 5th Grade Retreat/Highlight Videos of Family Road Trips

## **Family Celebration:**

Family Road Trip

## **Target Age Range:**

10-12 Years Old

#### The Objective:

Intentionally prepare children to enter the teenage years

#### **Parent Seminar:**

This seminar covers topics like: Relating to your adolescent, preparing your child for middle school/junior high, identity in Christ, how-to grow spiritually during teenage years, practicing spiritual disciplines, and the nuts and bolts of the Family Road Trip.

# **Celebration Description:**

The Family Road Trip is intended to open a dialogue with your adolescent about making wise biblical choices in the area of friendship, growing to sexual maturity, moral purity, and relationships with the opposite sex. These trips should be father-son or mother-daughter trips (if the family structure allows) and should be fun for the child. The church will also partner with families by providing a yearly 4th & 5th Grade Retreat that emphasizes some of the core competencies of this Milestone.