

**THIS IS US**

**PURE RELIGION**

*Pure and undefiled religion before God the Father is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained from the world. James 1:27 CSB*

**CARING FOR \_\_\_\_\_ CHILDREN IS CLOSE TO THE HEART OF GOD.**

Moses was \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_. Exodus 1 & 2

David \_\_\_\_\_ Saul's son, Mephibosheth.  
2 Samuel 9:7

*Do not take advantage of a widow or an orphan. If you do and they cry out to me, I will certainly hear their cry. My anger will be aroused, and I will kill you with the sword; your wives will become widows and your children fatherless. Exodus 22:22-24*

**PURE AND \_\_\_\_\_ RELIGION!**

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**LET'S BE A CHURCH THAT C.A.R.E.S**

**WHO WAITS**

As of August '23 there were 1,572 kids in foster care in South Dakota. We have 811 licensed homes for the current 1,572 kids

*There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.*

**Acts 4:34-35**

**& SUPPORT FOSTER PARENTS**

"some estimates that as many as 50% of foster families quit within a year. But that changes dramatically if those families are seen, appreciated and supported by other families."

**WHENEVER POSSIBLE**

"this is the primary goal of foster care."

**YOUR BUSINESS**

Consider becoming ""Foster Friendly Businesses"" by giving discounts to foster and adoptive families, like they might to for military of first responder families."

**ADOPTION**

"295 children in custody of SD Dept Social Services with a plan for permanent adoption....105 do not have an identified adoptive family!"

**"UNTIL THE RETURN OF CHRIST  
"NOBODY ELSE IS COMING!"WE. ARE. IT!"**

*<sup>42</sup> Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup> But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup> Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.*

Matthew 24:42-44 ESV