

Viewing and Discussion Guide – Episode 9

Erik & Emilie – God Was Pursuing Us the Whole Time

Erik and Emilie's Mormon Marriage Experiences

1. How would you describe Erik and Emilie's lives right after they got married and as they worked toward blending their families? What aspects of Mormon doctrine/culture shaped their view of themselves and God in that season of life?

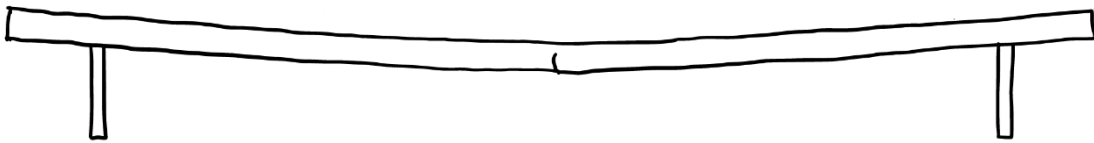
2. What were some of the shelf items that Erik and Emilie brought into their married lives?

Erik

Emilie



3. What became Erik's primary stress points related to Mormonism? What new issues went on his "shelf"? What questions or comments do you have about Erik's shelf items?



4. What was Erik's ultimate "shelf-breaking" moment? How did Erik respond when his shelf collapsed?

5. What became Emilie's primary stress points related to Mormonism? What new issues went on her "shelf"? What questions or comments do you have about Emilie's shelf items?

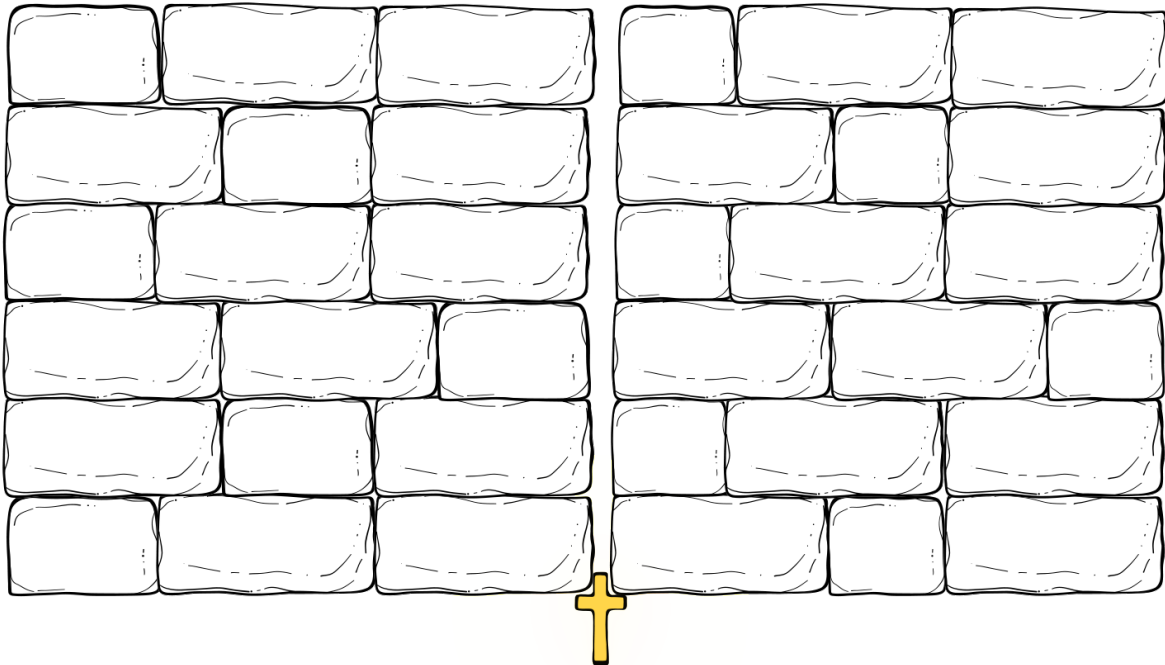


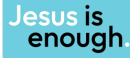
6. What was Emilie's ultimate "shelf-breaking" moment? How did Emilie respond when her shelf collapsed?

Finding Truth in the Bible and Confidence in Christ

7. What Bible passages or stories opened Erik's eyes to see the truth? Emilie's? Why were they so impactful?

8. What biblical truths provided "rest points" or faith "foundation blocks" for Erik and Emilie?





9. How did Erik and Emilie's view of themselves and God change over time? What did they learn about their sinfulness and God's grace?

Biblical Christian Interactions and Influences

11. How did **Christian resources and content** such as images, music, books, or podcasts play a role in Erik and Emilie's faith journey? What lessons can we learn from how God used those in his story?

Applying

12. What Mormon **doctrines and practices** brought up in Erik and Emilie's story were most confusing to you? What questions or comments do you have about those?
13. What **themes** in Erik and Emilie's story stood out to you most? How could you address those themes in a conversation with a Mormon friend or family member?
14. What **similarities/differences** have you seen between Erik and Emilie's story and others in this series? What do you make of those similarities and differences?
15. Which of Erik and Emilie's **experiences** could you relate to most? Why?
16. Which of Erik or Emilie's "**shelf items**" do you think would be impactful to place on other Mormon shelves? How could you bring those up in conversation and use them to provide a rest point?
17. What **key takeaway(s)** for witnessing do you want to remember from Erik and Emilie's story?