

Jordy

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In 2007, a young unmarried couple with newborn twins began attending Birth of a Family group activities. Having experienced a very troubled and fatherless upbringing, Jordy, the father, was like many of the young fathers encountered through Birth of a Family.

Jordy and the mother of his children began building a relationship almost immediately with an older couple voluntarily serving as Family Coaches. The match could not have been more peculiar.

By now you have guessed this is a miraculous turnaround story. In fact, it is. Jordy proved that no matter how unprepared, ill equipped, and seemingly resistant a man might seem to be, if encouraged in the right way, he will step up. Men are hardwired to love and care for their families. Some just need a jump-start.

About two years after completing Birth of a Family, Jordy asked one his mentors from Birth of a Family if they could come by to talk about getting married. Arriving about ten minutes before Jordy got home from work, the mentor was invited in to wait. The twins had grown into energetic toddlers by then. Sounds of an occasional car passing by on the gravel road could be heard through the open windows of the house.

Suddenly, from across the room the two young children ran to the door, pressing their faces into the screen. They had learned to distinguish the distinctive sound of their father's car rolling down the gravel road. They couldn't wait to greet him. For the next hour, those children and their father were inseparable.

What if there had been no intervention available to Jordy and his family two years prior? Thankfully, Birth of a Family was available, and these children delighted in their father's uninterrupted presence.