

Irreplaceable

Focus on the Family

With a divorce occurring every 13 seconds in the United States, Focus on the Family is aiming to stem the tide with its new documentary *Irreplaceable*.

Landing in theaters one night only (May 6), the movie examines why humans yearn to be part of a family against the modern cultural backdrop that has not only eroded the family unit but redefined it. *Irreplaceable* follows Tim Sisarich, executive director of New Zealand's Focus on the Family, around the world as he explores the answer to a critical question: "What is family—and does it still matter in today's society?"

Using linear logic, Sisarich tackles how we've devalued families in sexuality, marriage, parenting and other arenas—all of which are interlinked. By proving that weakened families lead to weaker societies, *Irreplaceable* illustrates how God's original blueprint for the family is still supreme. Yet the film's power isn't just in showing how God's design for families can reduce poverty, decrease violence and combat injustice; it's in poignantly depicting how family can heal the heart. And despite culture's undermining of families, *Irreplaceable* offers hope that we can find our way back to God's plan. —*Felicia Abraham*