



PURSuing INTIMACY WITH GOD.

“YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL
AND WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT.”

DEUTERONOMY 6:5

INTIMACY, MARRIAGE, AND THE GLORY OF GOD

1. Our **PURPOSE** is to glorify God.
2. The **HUMAN** heart naturally desires **INTIMACY**.
3. Marriage is a **UNIQUE** and **AWESOME** way to magnify God’s **GLORY**.
4. Marriage is a **PICTURE** of the **GOSPEL**.
5. But... Marital **INTIMACY** pales in comparison to **INTIMACY** with **GOD**.
6. An intimate **RELATIONSHIP** with **GOD** is possible because of the **GOSPEL**.

THE GREATEST COMMAND (v. 5)

- **LOVE** the **LORD** your God...
 - Love – *to have a great affection or care or loyalty towards*
- ... with **ALL** your **HEART** and with **ALL** your **SOUL** and with **ALL** your **MIGHT**.
 - Love God with the totality of your being.

WHO COULD COMMAND SUCH DEVOTION? (v. 4)

- The **LORD** our **GOD**, the **LORD** is **ONE**.
- Our **SOVEREIGN**, **CREATOR**, **SUSTAINER**, **DEFENDER**, **SAVIOR**.

HOW IMPORTANT IS THIS COMMAND? (vv. 6-9)

“God’s love and his covenant demands were to be the central and absorbing interest of a man’s whole life.”

– J.A. Thompson

1. Put these words on your **HEART**.
2. Teach them **DILIGENTLY** to your **CHILDREN**.
3. **TALK** about them when you **SIT** in your house.
4. Talk about them when you **WALK** by the way.
5. Talk about them when you **LIE DOWN**.
6. Talk about them when you **RISE**.
7. **BIND** them as a sign on your hand.
8. Put them as frontlets between your **EYES**.
9. **WRITE** them on the **DOORPOSTS** of your house
10. Write them on your **GATES**.

NURTURING YOUR INTIMACY WITH GOD

What?	Translation:	How?
HEART	<i>Intellect</i>	STUDY God’s Word (Ps. 19)
SOUL	<i>Emotions; Desires</i>	PRAY (speak & listen) (Luke 11)
MIGHT	<i>Strength; Muchness</i>	FAITH filled ACTION (Heb 11:6)