

WE STILL BELIEVE

...family matters

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WHAT MATTERS MOST:

What we _____ .

“ One of them, an expert in religious law, tried to trap him with this question: “Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?” Jesus replied, “You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment.

MATTHEW 22:35-38 (NLT)

“ For he issued his laws to Jacob; he gave his instructions to Israel. He commanded our ancestors to teach them to their children, so the next generation might know them—even the children not yet born—and they in turn will teach their own children. So each generation should set its hope anew on God, not forgetting his glorious miracles and obeying his commands.

PSALM 78:5-7 (NLT)

WHAT MATTERS MOST:

What we _____ .

“ Listen, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength.”

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-5 (NLT)

“ And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today. Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up.”

DEUTERONOMY 6:6-7 (NLT)

When you are _____ .

When you are _____ .

When you _____ .

When you _____ .

“ ‘May the LORD bless you and protect you. May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you. May the LORD show you his favor and give you his peace.’

NUMBERS 6:24-26 (NLT)

WHAT MATTERS MOST:

What we _____ .

“ Tie them to your hands and wear them on your forehead as reminders. Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.”

DEUTERONOMY 6:8-9 (NLT)

Create _____ .

SO WHAT?

Your family _____ , _____ .

“ But the love of the Lord remains forever with those who fear him. His salvation extends to the children’s children of those who are faithful to his covenant, of those who obey his commandments!”

PSALM 103:17-18 (NLT)

_____ it.
_____ it.
Don’t _____ .

DISCUSSION

Questions

- 1 - When you think of your family what comes to mind first?
- 2 - What matters most to your family? (In the past? Now? In the future?)
- 3 - Re-read Deuteronomy 6:4-5. What does your family talk about the most? Why? When and how do you talk about God?
- 4 - Re-read Deuteronomy 6:6-7. What are some of the things your parents repeated again and again to you? How did that shape you? How did it shape your faith?
- 5 - Re-read Deuteronomy 6:8-9. What reminders do you have in your families life? What new reminders can you put in place for spiritual growth?
- 6 - What do you need to start doing as a family to grow together?
- 7 - What do you need to stop doing to do what matters most?

“ How joyful are those who fear the Lord— all who follow his ways! You will enjoy the fruit of your labor. How joyful and prosperous you will be! Your wife will be like a fruitful grapevine, flourishing within your home. Your children will be like vigorous young olive trees as they sit around your table. That is the Lord’s blessing for those who fear him. May the Lord continually bless you from Zion. May you see Jerusalem prosper as long as you live. May you live to enjoy your grandchildren. May Israel have peace!

PSALM 128 (NLT)