Teaching Our Children To Love God Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Mark 12:28: Then one of the scribes came, and... asked Him, "Which is the <u>first</u> commandment of all?"

Deuteronomy 6:4-5: <u>Hear</u>, O Israel: The <u>Lord</u> our <u>God</u>, the <u>Lord</u> is <u>one</u>! You shall <u>love</u> the Lord your God with <u>all your heart</u>, with <u>all your soul</u>, & with <u>all your strength</u>.

Deuteronomy 6:6: And <u>these words</u> which I command you today shall be <u>in your heart</u>.

Order matters here - Once these words are in your <u>heart</u> then you can <u>teach</u> them to <u>children!</u>

There is a great **principle here** ... Whenever something is happening in your **heart**, **teach** it to your **children** & **grandchildren**.

Deuteronomy 6:7: You shall teach them diligently to your children, & shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, & when you rise up.

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- Constant Effort
- Persevering Attention
- Steadfast
- Unrelenting

Antonyms:

- Inactive
- Negligent

Talk of them when you sit in your house

When you walk by the way

When you lie down

When you rise up

Deuteronomy 6:8-9: You shall **bind them** as a **sign on your hand**, and they shall be as **frontlets between your eyes**. **You shall write them** on the **doorposts of your house** and on your **gates**.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7: And <u>these words</u> which I command you today shall be <u>in your heart</u>. You shall <u>teach</u> them <u>diligently</u> to your children & shall talk of them when you <u>sit in your house</u>, when you <u>walk by the way</u>, when you <u>lie down</u>, and when you <u>rise up</u>.

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What's going on in **your heart**?

Has **Jesus** changed your heart?

Ezekiel 36:26-27: I will give you a **new heart** and put a **new spirit within you**; I will take the **heart of stone** out of your flesh and give you a **tender** and **responsive** heart. I will put **My Spirit within you** and **cause you to walk in My statutes**, and you will **keep My judgments** and **do them**.

Revelation 3:20: Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

Matthew 15:8: These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me.

Hebrews 3:12-13,15: Be careful then, dear brothers and sisters. Make sure that your own hearts are not evil and unbelieving, turning you away from the living God. You must warn each other every day, while it is still "today," so that none of you will be deceived by sin and hardened against God. Remember what it says: today when you hear His voice, don't harden your hearts as Israel did when they rebelled.

Pharaoh