

Passing On Faith

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Why do we need to pass on faith?

1 We are told to

"And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength. 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. 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."

DÉUTERONOMY 6:5-9 | NLT

2 What it represents

3 What it reveals

What will it take to pass on faith?

1 A plan for their future.

"Point your kids in the right direction when they're old they won't be lost."

PROVERBS 22:6 | MSG

Practical teaching.

"Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won't be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching. We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church."

EPHESIANS 4:14-15 | NLT

3 A place to belong.

"All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer."

ACTS 2:42 | NLT

4 A partnership with parents.

The top three things that help people build a lifelong faith:

Bible reading

Prayer

Serving

The Israelites did evil in the Lord's sight and served the images of Baal. They abandoned the Lord, the God of their ancestors, who had brought them out of Egypt."

JUDGES 2:10-12a | NLT

[&]quot;After that generation died, another generation grew up who did not acknowledge the Lord or remember the mighty things he had done for Israel.

Small Group Questions

- Share one thing that stood out to you in this week's sermon and why?
- Who is one person that has helped you grow in your faith? In what ways did they help you grow?
- The top three things that help kids grow are also the same things that help us grow. Which of the three can you be more intentional about in your own life?
- If today was the last day of your life, how would you feel about the legacy that you would be leaving behind? Is there anything you would do differently with that in mind?
- 5 How can we be praying for you this week?