



Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

Our Family Studies September 26th, 2021

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

These are the commands, decrees and laws the Lord your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, ²so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the Lord your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life. ³Hear, Israel, and be careful to obey so that it may go well with you and that you may increase greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, promised you.

⁴Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

1. What is the difference between memorizing God's commands and impressing them on your heart (v. 6-7)?
2. For each situation in v. 7, say how you can impress God's Word on your own heart and the heart of your family:
 - a) at home-
 - b) on the road-
 - c) when you lie down-
 - d) when you get up-
3. What is different about a person's life if God's Words are impressed on their heart?

Colossians 3:15-17

¹⁵Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

4. As a group, list four ways the message of Christ (v. 16) makes your Life Group different from a secular dinner party. Which one is most important to you?
5. Everyone say something you appreciate about Life Group and something you'd like your group to work on. (Repeat answers are ok.)
6. Some people find it hard to make time for small group Bible studies. How might you persuade them that Life Groups are worthwhile?

John 8:31-32

³¹To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³²Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

7. AGREE or DISAGREE: You cannot really be Jesus' disciple if you do not study the Bible.
8. Which Bible studies would be most helpful to you, and why?
9. Complete this statement in at least three ways: Our family studies because...