

Parenting is HEART Work (Part Two)

– Deuteronomy 6:7-9 –

“These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.” (vs. 6)

1. Intentionally

“Impress them on your children.” (vs. 7a)

2. Relationally

“Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.” (vs. 7b)

3. Practically

“Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. (vss. 8-9)

Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. As a child, what was one lesson you were taught by an adult for which are most grateful today?
3. Review the *why* behind the *what*. What is our primary motivation for obeying God (vs. 5)? What do you think is the best definition of *loving God*?
4. What was the approach to rules and discipline in your childhood home? How has this impacted your home today?
5. Moses was promoting a spiritual rhythm in the family that fit within the natural rhythm of life. Which of the four times (*morning time, drive time, meal time, bed time*) do or did you most often use to have spiritual moments with your kids?
6. Is there anything in your life that is a barrier or distraction to creating some spiritual rhythm in your family? Are you willing to get rid of it?
7. What can you learn from the experiences that led to your own spiritual growth that might help you more effectively integrate faith into your family life?

