

## (D2: The Home)

# Building Our Homes with God's Word (Deuteronomy 6)

The Wellspring Purpose and Disciplines:

### Introduction

Proverbs 14:1 "The wise woman builds her house, but the foolish tears it down with her own hands."

Proverbs 18:9 "He who is slack in his work is brother to him who destroys."

### Background—Understanding the Mosaic Covenant and salvation by faith in the Old Testament

Genesis 15:6

Galatians 2:16

Romans 3:20-28

Hebrews 11:1-12, 39

Eph 2:8-9

Deuteronomy 6

**1. Deuteronomy 6:1-2a**

***PRINCIPLE: Our obedience to God's Word influences others toward God and His Word.***

2 Timothy 1:5; 3:10, 14-15

**2. Deuteronomy 6:2b-3**

***PRINCIPLE: Obedience to God's Word is beneficial to those who obey.***

Ephesians 6:1-3

*"Gracious parenting leads children from external compliance to joyful willingness. Children need to obey before they can process obedience through faith. When faith comes, the obedience which they have learned from fear and reward and respect will become the natural expression of faith. Not to require obedience before faith is folly. It's not loving in the long run. It cuts deep furrows of disobedient habits that faith must then not INFUSE, but overcome." John Piper, October 29, 2013 (<http://www.desiringgod.org/blog/posts/parents-require-obedience-of-your-children>)*

### 3. Deuteronomy 6:4-6

**PRINCIPLE: Love for God is expressed through loving and obeying His Word.**

John 14:21

### 4. Deuteronomy 6:7-9

**PRINCIPLE: God's design is for His Word to saturate our lives, our homes, and our relationships.**

6:7, "teach them diligently"

*"Frequently repeat these things to them, try all ways of instilling them into their minds, and making them pierce into their hearts; as in sharpening a knife, it is turned first on this side, then on that." Henry, M. (1996, c1991). Matthew Henry's commentary on the whole Bible : Complete and unabridged in one volume (Dt 6:4). Peabody: Hendrickson.*

*"The image is that of the engraver of a monument who takes hammer and chisel in hand and with painstaking care etches a text into the face of a solid slab of granite. The sheer labor of such a task is daunting indeed, but once done the message is there to stay." Merrill, E. H. (2001, c1994). Vol. 4: Deuteronomy (electronic ed.). Logos Library System; The New American Commentary (162). Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers.*

6:7, "when you sit and when you walk"

"when you lie down and when you rise up"

6:8, "You shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontals on your forehead."

*"The commandments were to be sovereign over individual Israelites, and they were to serve as constraints [guides] on their hands and as mental checks upon their thinking. The purpose of using such symbolism was to connect God's law with the everyday, routine matters of life. Nothing was to be considered outside the scope of his authority." Macintosh 87*

6:9, "You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Ephesians 6:4

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Colossians 3:16

Romans 10:17

#### **5. Deuteronomy 6:20-25**

***PRINCIPLE: Homes filled with love and obedience toward God and His Word will be filled with opportunities for declaring the greatness of God and His gospel.***

#### **6. Psalm 19:7-11**

***PRINCIPLE: God's Word is overflowing with treasures for building our homes on the sure foundation of Jesus Christ.***