



## Home

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Deuteronomy 6:1-25  
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## Prayer:

So we have not stopped praying for you since we first heard about you. We ask God to give you complete knowledge of his will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better. We also pray that you will be strengthened with all his glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy, always thanking the Father. He has enabled you to share in the inheritance that belongs to his people, who live in the light. **Colossians 1:9-12**

## Discussion Starter

How forming or deforming was your home for your own spiritual formation? Share about one of those times.

If home is where memories are made, habits are formed, and conversations take place. Share a significant story regarding one of these and how it spiritually formed you?

## Sermon Summary

The mission of God is timeless and unchanging. His "faithfulness continues from generation to generation," (Ps. 119:90). Throughout the bible, we read of the home serving as a primary place of disciple making—a place where faith is birthed, scripture is revered, and discipleship is prioritized. The gathered church, then, serves as a supplementary disciple-making entity—a place where what is taught and modeled in the home is edified and supported. But in our contemporary culture, it seems too often this equation has been flipped and the "heavy lifting" of discipleship has been placed upon the church with little regard for the impact of what is or is not modeled in the home. In our charge to make more and better disciples who transform the community and resource the church, and in an attempt to continue to pass along this mission to the next generation, we must return to the model of discipleship that is rooted in the home and edified and supported in the gathered community.

## Sermon Review Questions

- How are you intentionally using your home to make more and better disciples?
- What kind of restructuring of your time is needed to live this out more?
- What kind of restructuring of what you do is needed to be more intentional with people at home?

## Transformation Questions

1. What do you think God is saying to you?
2. What is keeping you from doing this?
3. If you were to do it, what might be a good first step?
4. Who will you tell? Or who will you ask to help you?

## Habit

Each morning pray with your calendar open and consider how the impact of the gathering on Sunday will send you out today.

## Quote

“Wherever living faith exists, there is a community endeavoring to know, understand, live, and witness to that faith.”

John H. Westerhoff III  
*Will Our Children Have Faith?*