



REMEMBER – Part 2: The Word in the Life of the Household

How do we hold on to what God has taught us?

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Main Thought: God's Word is to be treasured in our hearts and intentionally woven into the ordinary rhythms of our households so that we and our children do not forget Him.

Holy Text: Deuteronomy 6:4-12 (KJV)

Deut. 6:4-12 4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord: 5 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. 6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: 7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. 8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. 9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates. 10 And it shall be, when the Lord thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, 11 And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; 12 Then beware lest thou forget the Lord, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

I. A quick recap:

Deut 1: Moses reminded the Israelites that God had already brought them to the Promised Land, but fear caused them to doubt and disobey Him.

Deut 2: Moses reminded the Israelites that God was leading them, even through hard times and long periods of waiting.

Deut 3: Moses reminded the Israelites not to be afraid because God was fighting for them and had a plan for their future.

Deut 4: Moses reminded the Israelites to listen to God, obey Him, and never forget all He had done for them.

Deut 5: Moses reminded the Israelites to remember who God was and everything He had done for them.

II. Thoughts from the text (Deut. 6:4-12):

A. The Word Must Be in Our Hearts (vv. 4-6)

Deut. 6:4 *Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord.*

- The opening word is a command that tells Israel to respond to God by listening, obeying, and following His instructions.
- This highlights the special relationship between the people and the living God.
- It shows that there is only one God who should be worshiped.

Deut. 6:5-6 *And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:*

- Moses continually urged the Israelites to show their love for God through faithful devotion.
- Moses instructed the people of God to give themselves fully to Him and refuse to follow any other gods.
- A call for a heart that is fully committed to loving the Lord.

Applications:

Put God first in your life

- God should be more than just a part of our lives, He should be at the center of everything we do.
- With work, money, relationships, social media, and other distractions competing for our attention, we need to make time for God and put Him first.

Matt. 6:33 *But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*

Put your heart fully in God's hands

- God wants us to love Him completely, not just when things are going our way.
- Our faith should influence our choices, attitudes, relationships, and priorities, not just what we do on Sunday.

Mark 12:30 *And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.*

Keep God's Word in your heart

- We need to remember God's teachings, so they become part of who we are.
- Reading Scripture, praying, and reflecting on God's Word can help us make better choices when we face pressure or difficult situations.

Ps. 119:11 *Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.*

B. The Word Must Fill Our Homes (vv. 7-9)

Deut. 6:7 *And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.*

- Keep God at the center of everything your family does.
- Talk about God daily, making it a natural thing, incorporating it into your daily activities.
- Our faith in God should be a natural part of our everyday lives, including how we work, have fun, and spend time with our family.

Deut. 6:8-9 *And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.*

- Never leave God's Word behind.
- Let His Word guide the things you do, the thoughts you have, and the choices you make.
- Make God's Word an important part of your home and family life.
- Let your faith be visible in the way you live.

Applications:

Don't just hear God's Word, live it!

- God's Word is not just something we hear or read, it is something we are called to live by.
- When making decisions about family, finances, relationships, work, or how we treat others, we should ask, "What does God's Word say?"

***James 1:22** But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.*

Raise the next generation in God's ways

- We have a responsibility to teach our children and young people about God.
- Children learn not only from what we tell them but also from what they see us do. We should demonstrate faith through our words, choices and actions.

***Prov. 22:6** Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.*

Series emphasis: We don't leave what God has taught us at church. We bring it home.

C. The Word Must Be Remembered When the Season Changes (vv. 10-12)

***Deut. 6:10-12** And it shall be, when the Lord thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; Then beware lest thou forget the Lord, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.*

- Sometimes God will allow you to walk into opportunities that somebody else prepared.
- When God gives you the blessing, remember the Blessor.
- When we're struggling, we pray, "Lord help me!" But when everything starts going well, we can become so busy enjoying the blessing that we stop talking to the One who blessed us.
- Don't let the blessing become bigger than God who gave it to you.
- Whatever God has allowed you to have should remind us of His faithfulness.
- Remembering your past keeps you thankful for your present.

Applications:

Don't forget God when life is going well

- Sometimes we remember God most when we need help but forget Him when everything is going well.
- Success, a good job, a nice home, or financial security should not cause us to stop praying, worshiping, or depending on God.

***Deut. 8:11-14** Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day: Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; And when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;*

Don't let what you own take God's place

- Having things is not a problem but when things have you, now it is a problem, because now they are more important than your relationship with God.
- No amount of money or possessions should ever take God's place in our lives.

***Matt. 6:19-21** Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*

Don't forget who your blessings come from

- Everything good we have should remind us to be thankful to God.
- Instead of taking our family, health, career, possessions, or opportunities for granted, we should recognize our blessings and thank God for them.

***James 1:17** Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.*

III. Closing Thought

Brothers and sisters, the message of Deuteronomy 6:4-12 is simple: keep God first and never forget Him. Everything we have comes from God, so we should never become so focused on our homes, jobs, money, possessions, or success that we forget the One who blessed us.

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***Matt. 6:33** But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*

Never forget that God is the One who has blessed us, helped us, and brought us this far; when life is hard, trust Him, and when life is good, thank Him.

***Prov. 3:5-6** Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.*

***Ps. 103:2** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:*

No matter what we have, keep God first and never let our blessings make us forget the One who blessed us.

God's Word is to be treasured in our hearts, carried into the life of our households, and remembered when the season changes. "Beware lest thou forget the LORD."

Amen.