



## *Hope for the Home*

**INTRODUCTION:** With so many challenges facing families and homes today, many feel they are in hopeless situations. However, God gives us clear words of encouragement and instruction for the home. It is in hearing these words and applying them that we find there is indeed “Hope For The Home.”

**READ:** Deuteronomy 6:1-9

### **DISCUSSION:**

1. How is your “home” today similar or different to the home that you grew up in?
2. According to Scripture, what is God’s plan and purpose for the home?
3. Scripture is like a spiritual thermometer, giving us a reading on our home. How would you rank the spiritual temperature of your home today? Explain your answer.
4. What is the difference between a thermometer and a thermostat? As a parent, which are you called to be and how can you accomplish this?
5. In Sunday’s message, we learned that we can’t give what we don’t live. What areas do you personally need to grow and lead the way for your family to follow?
6. What are ways that your family needs to grow spiritually?
  - a. In what areas does your family struggle?
  - b. In what areas is your family succeeding?
  - c. What struggles did you experience growing up that have impacted your family’s spiritual life today?
  - d. What steps can you take today to grow in this area(s)?
7. According to Deuteronomy 6, what role does the Word of God play in the wellbeing of your family?
  - a. Whose responsibility is it to lead them in this?
  - b. What role or roles can the Word Practically take in your family’s daily life?
8. In Psalm 112:1-2, what does God promise to those who point their family to the Lord? Optional (#8). If you do not yet have a family or perhaps your family is grown and children have families of their own – in what ways can you live out this passage to impact future generations?

**MAKE IT SO:** Have a family meeting. This may begin with Dad and Mom and involve children depending on their age. Create a Call to Action for your home. In what practical and personal ways can you implement the action items in Deuteronomy 6:1-9? If you are not married, don’t have a family or if the family you raised now has their own, do this same activity with the mindset of impacting others and strengthening your own walk with the Lord.

**READING LIST:** **Monday:** Psalm 112:1-6 / **Tuesday:** Proverbs 3:1-12 / **Wednesday:** Joshua 24:14-24  
**Thursday:** Ephesians 5:1-21 / **Friday:** Ephesians 5:22-6:4 / **Saturday:** 2 Timothy 3:14-17  
**Sunday:** Matthew 7:24-27