



## Building Homes That Last Deuteronomy 5 and 6

Deuteronomy 5:32-33 (NIV)

Be careful to do what the LORD your God has commanded you; do not turn aside to the right or to the left. Walk in all the way that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess.

Deuteronomy 6:5-9 (NIV)

Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 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.

### I. Bible Blueprints

Three Simple Reminders:

- There Is No Family Situation Too Difficult for God.

Jeremiah 32:27 (NASB)

“Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh; is anything too difficult for Me?”

- There Is No Greater Counselor Than the Holy Spirit

John 16:13 (NIV)

“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth.”

- There Is No better Book to help us Than God’s Word

Psalm 119:98-105 (NIV)

Your commands make me wiser than my enemies. I have more insight than all my teachers... I have more understanding than the elders. I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey your word. How sweet are your words to my taste! I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

## II. Fortified Foundations

- Love the Lord

Verse 5 – “Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.”

James Merritt

“Nothing breaks the heart of God more than the sin of a half-hearted love. Husbands, a half-hearted love won't make your wife happy. Parents, a half-hearted love won't make your children happy. Christians, a half- hearted love doesn't make God happy. If you don't have a wholehearted, blazing, burning, passionate love for the Lord Jesus Christ, and pass that love on to your children, you have failed miserably as a parent.”

- Keep His Word

Verse 6 – “These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.”

- Teach Your Children

Verse 7 – “Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.”

“There is only way to bring up a child in the way he should go. That is to travel that way yourself.” –  
Abraham Lincoln

## III. Concrete Commitments

- Grow Together in Christ Consistently.

2 Peter 1:5-8 (NIV)

Make every effort to add to your faith goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

- Embrace the Heart of a Servant.

Mark 10:45 (NIV)

“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

- Be Faithful to Your Spouse and Children.
- Stay Committed to Marriage for Life.

Malachi 2:16 (NASB)

“For I hate divorce,” says the Lord, the God of Israel. “So guard yourself in your spirit, and do not break faith.”

- Raise the Standard of God’s Word In your Home.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (HCSB)

“All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”

Joshua 24:15 (NASB)

“Choose for yourselves today whom you will serve; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”