



Week #2: Pray For Our Home

A Pattern for Spiritual Renewal and Prayer:

• Heart → Home → Church → City

These are the commands, decrees and laws the Lord your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the Lord your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life.

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 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 on 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.

When the Lord your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you—a land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves you did not plant—then when you eat and are satisfied, be careful that you do not forget the Lord, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

Fear the Lord your God, serve him only and take your oaths in his name. Do not follow other gods, the gods of the peoples around you...

Do what is right and good in the Lord's sight, so that it may go well with you...

Deuteronomy 6:1-2, 4-14, 18 (NIV)

Through Prayer and Practice We:

1. Break off the _____:

- Spiritual _____ (v 10-12)

- _____ (v 13-14)

2. Build up the _____:

- A healthy picture of _____. (v 4-5)

- A holistic approach to _____. (v 5-9)

Discussion questions:

1. What do your daily rhythms currently communicate about what matters most in your household? Where do you notice alignment—or misalignment—between your values and your practices?
2. What practices can you engage in this week to help your family be more grounded in loving God with all your heart, soul, and strength?
3. Which of these two movements—*breaking off* or *building up*—do you sense God inviting you to focus on in your home right now, and why?

Recommended resources:

[*Prayers for Your Children: 90 Days of Praying Scripture over Kids of Any Age*](#) by James Banks

[*The Intentional Father: A Practical Guide to Raise Sons of Courage and Character*](#) by Jon Tyson

[*Give Them Grace*](#) by Elyse Fitzpatrick

[*Parenting Beyond Your Capacity*](#) by Reggie Joiner and Carey Nieuwhof

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Through Prayer and Practice We:

1. Break off the wrong thing:

- **Spiritual Complacency (v 10-12)**
- **Worldliness (v 13-14)**

2. Build up the right things:

- A healthy picture of who God is. (v 4-5)
- A holistic approach to prayer & conversations. (v 5-9)

Discussion questions:

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