

The Model of Love  
Cornerstone Baptist Church  
Sunday, February 19, 2023

*Joshua said to the people, "You are not able to serve the LORD. He is a holy God; he is a jealous God. He will not forgive your rebellion and your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, he will turn and bring disaster on you and make an end of you, after he has been good to you."*

*But the people said to Joshua, "No! We will serve the LORD." Then Joshua said, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen to serve the LORD." "Yes, we are witnesses," they replied.*

*"Now then," said Joshua, "throw away the foreign gods that are among you and yield your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel."*

*And the people said to Joshua, "We will serve the LORD our God and obey him."*

*On that day Joshua made a covenant for the people, and there at Shechem he drew up for them decrees and laws. And Joshua recorded these things in the Book of the Law of God. Then he took a large stone and set it up there under the oak near the holy place of the LORD. "See!" he said to all the people. "This stone will be a witness against us. It has heard all the words the LORD has said to us. It will be a witness against you if you are untrue to your God." Then Joshua sent the people away, each to his own inheritance.*

*Joshua 24:19-28*

*Joshua son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died at the age of a hundred and ten. And they buried him in the land of his inheritance, at Timnath Heres in the hill country of Ephraim, north of Mount Gaash. After that whole generation had been gathered to their fathers, another generation grew up, who knew neither the LORD nor what he had done for Israel. Judges 2:8-10*

*Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4*

*"Parents are the primary Christian educators in the church, and the family is the God-ordained institution for faith building in children and youth and for the passing of faith from one generation to the next." Ben Fredenburg, The Family Friendly Church*

The \_\_\_\_\_:

*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 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. Deuteronomy 6:4-9*

### 3 Aspects of the Shema

1. \_\_\_\_\_ v. 4

#### *Simple questions*

A. Am I giving more \_\_\_\_\_ to this than I am to God?

B. Am I giving more \_\_\_\_\_ to this than I am to God?

2. \_\_\_\_\_ v. 5

3. \_\_\_\_\_ v.6-9

#### Live it Out!

1. Make one \_\_\_\_\_ a day a priority.

2. Set aside at least one day a week for \_\_\_\_\_.

*"Talk about God's love to your children every day--before they go to school and when they get home. Have faith conversations around the dinner table and when you're riding in the car. Read Bible stories to your kids tonight instead of watching TV. Put your favorite Bible verse on your computer as a screensaver. Send your children text messages and e-mails with truths from God's Word in them and don't forget to pray for your kids every night just outside their bedroom doors." Deuteronomy 6:5-7, Wayne Rice Version*

3. Make \_\_\_\_\_ with your family.

4. Make \_\_\_\_\_ to your children.