GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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6 TRUTHS EVERY PARENT NEEDS TO KNOW

What You Do Makes a Difference Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 20-23 Pastor Matt Manning Matt.Manning@crossroadsabc.com



NOTES	 Open with prayer. (2-5 min) Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 20-23. Discuss these questions with your group. (20-45 min)
	MY STORY Vulnerability What's the biggest lesson you've learned from one or both of your parents? (7-10 min)
	DIGGING DEEPER Practical Biblical Application Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. (Deuteronomy 6:4-6)
	Why do you need to take care of yourself before you can help children?
	Is there a problem, or danger in "going to church for the kids" alone?
	GROWING TOGETHER Spiritual Friendship You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. (Deuteronomy 6:7-9)
	What kinds of things can you do to create teachable moments on purpose?
	What could it practically look like in your home?
	What would you consider a "successful" teachable moment?
	How can grandparents and extended families participate in healthy ways?

Looking back at your notes from this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time, stuck with you, challenged or confused you?

What is the one important thing you will take away from this weekend's message or our community group discussion? Is there any challenge, difficulty or praise that you would like to share with the group for prayer?



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When your son asks you in time to come, "What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the rules that the Lord our God has commanded you?" then you shall say to your son, "We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt. And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. And the Lord showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes. And he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in and give us the land that he swore to give to our fathers." (Deuteronomy 6:20-23)

What do you want your kids to remember about their spiritual heritage?

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Thinking of neighbors or friends around you, how can you have influence with kids who are not your own? Does anyone specifically come to mind?