

Hearts and Homes

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Introduction

As you have already heard, today is NextGen Sunday. It is a day when we set aside some time to reflect upon how God's Word is directing us. To that end, I would invite you to turn your attention briefly to Deuteronomy 6:4-9...

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⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷Impress 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. ⁸Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

Exposition

Normally, what we would do on a Sunday morning as we work through God's Word is look at a text of Scripture, explore what it meant in its original context, then make several points of application. This morning, we are simply going to look at one specific point of application from our text, in light of NextGen Sunday. Let's observe this one key point from our passage:

God desires for our obedience to Him to flow out of our hearts and permeate our homes.

I. Obedience from the Heart

As God's people, He desires for our obedience to Him to come from our hearts.

II. Obedience in our Homes

As God's people, He desires for our obedience to Him to echo throughout our homes.

Conclusion

Obedience to God is not simply what happens on Sundays. It is about what happens every day in every place. It is fruit of belonging to God as His people. God desires for our obedience to Him to flow out of our hearts and permeate our homes.

Application

- 1) We need new hearts.
- 2) We need renewed homes.

Both applications depend on the grace of God in Jesus Christ working in and through us. We cannot give ourselves new hearts nor can we renew our homes apart from God's supernatural power.