



## Teaching Eternal Truths for Today's Challenges

### Text

*“Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it: That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son’s son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey. Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.” (Deuteronomy 6:1–8)*

# Overview

One of the great responsibilities that God has entrusted to parents is to teach their children the truth about who He is and to nurture a love for God in their hearts. And yet, we live in a society where this responsibility is downplayed and undermined. In this lesson, we see God's instructions for teaching our children as well as specific ways we can teach their young hearts.

**INTRODUCTION:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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## 1. TEACH WITH \_\_\_\_\_

A. A personal \_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord

B. A personal \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord

*"If ye love me, keep my commandments." (John 14:15)*

*"My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways."  
(Proverbs 23:26)*

## 2. TEACH WITH \_\_\_\_\_

A. \_\_\_\_\_ the truth

1. Set a time.
2. Start simple.
3. Grow with your children.
4. Emphasize application.

*"This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. These things command and teach. Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in*

*charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, and give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.” (1 Timothy 4:9-13)*

*“...as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” (Joshua 24:15)*

B. \_\_\_\_\_ the truth

### 3. TEACH WITH \_\_\_\_\_

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

*“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6)*

*“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”  
(2 Timothy 2:15)*

*“Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.” (Proverbs 29:17)*

CONCLUSION: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Study Questions

1. How can Christian parents counter the overwhelming amount of deception their children encounter in today’s society?
2. What major element directed Rehoboam’s steps away from the Lord?
3. If your child were asked if you personally love God, what would he say? What can you do to strengthen your personal walk with the Lord?

4. What were some of the steps we mentioned that aid in family devotions?
5. What time of day will you have family devotions? Choose a time and think through any logistics of making that time work for your family.
6. How effective do you believe you are at finding creative teaching moments to reinforce truth in your children's hearts? What are three ways you can creatively teach them this week?
7. Is your home conspicuously Christian? Do you have Scripture displayed throughout? What could you add into your decor to point your child's attention to the Lord?
8. What area of growth do you wish your child wanted to develop? Ask the Lord for wisdom and ideas on a way you can motivate her. Jot down ideas that come to mind here.

## **Memory Verse**

### **DEUTERONOMY 6:7**

*7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.*