

# Dear God - Week 4

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

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## BELONG

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**Ask this Ice Breaker Question:** Share about a favorite family tradition you try to do each year.

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## BELIEVE

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**Have someone in your group read aloud: Deuteronomy 6:1-9**

Leader Context (Not to be read aloud):

- The people are about to go into a new land
  - The writer says, "Begin your new life this way - remember these things."
- These are **foundational** ideas to a people and to a society.
- The writer emphasizes "teaching them"
- The Shema was a foundational principle that Moses spoke to the culture of the people of Israel before they inhabited a new land.

### 1. How do I pray with teaching in mind when it comes to families and my own walk with God?

Leader Context (Not to be read aloud):

- Parents lead the family. Parents, make sure God is leading you.
- Pray for those leading families. Parents, Grandparents. Etc...

### 2. How do I pray with teaching in mind when it comes to families and education?

Leader Context (Not to be read aloud):

- Parents lead the family. Teachers support. Teachers are to come around families.
- "Why do I say this: Our Department of Education and other agencies see education as a silver bullet. And that kind of thinking leads to a certain zealotry in our school systems which presses our educators to think the burden is all on them. Therefore, teachers can adopt a posture, often, where the teacher is leading the education process and parents are there to support."
- Pray for teachers.

### **3. How do I pray with teaching in mind when it comes to families and church ministries?**

*Leader Context (Not to be read aloud):*

- *Parents lead the family. Church ministries support.*
- *Pray for our church ministry leaders and volunteers.*

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## **BECOME:**

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**Ask this question:**

- 4. This passage has a large emphasis on remembering. Jesus also emphasized this when He said “Do this in remembrance of Me” (Luke 22:18-20). Why are reminders so important?**

**Can you think of any creative ideas you might like to add into your daily routines to help you remember these things?**

**Close by praying together.**