



# LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Remember that Life Groups are a place where we practice what is preached. We discuss the Bible for transformation, not just information.



**Icebreaker:** What is something a parent or mentor taught you when you were young that you've carried with you into adulthood?



## PRAY:

Pray together for the Holy Spirit to open your eyes to behold wonderful things (Ps. 119:18) as your group meets with the Lord.



## READ:

Ask a group member to read **Deuteronomy 6:1-3** out loud.



## DISCUSS:

This week's passage is about passing the word of the Lord to the next generation. Who in your life does "the next generation" include? Share the names of a few people who come to mind.



## IDENTITY:

God's people, Israel, were entrusted with passing His word to others. Read 1 Peter 2:9-10. According to these verses, what titles and blessings have we received in Christ and for what purpose? How does this impact the way we think about sharing our faith with the next generation?

## WORSHIP

Deuteronomy 2:6 says to fear the Lord is to obey Him. What does it look like to live in daily obedience to God's word? How does our obedience lead to greater fear (or reverence) of the Lord?

## COMMUNITY

You've probably heard the saying "it takes a village to raise a child." How does this saying apply to raising children who fear God? How can your group work together to raise children who fear the Lord?

## MISSION



While we are called to share the Gospel with all nations, we are called first to share with our families. What can be challenging about witnessing to our families? How can we encourage one another to witness well?



## GROUP ENGAGE:

Jesus invites anyone and everyone to follow Him, and we get to extend that invitation to others. As a group, try this idea to engage in the mission of God or come up with your own.

This month at Woodside we are seeking to "Love Thy Neighbor." Consider choosing one of the various ideas for loving your neighbor listed at <https://woodsidebible.org/read/50-ways-to-love-your-neighbor/> and engaging it together as a group.

## WE ARE FAMILY:

How can you hold each other accountable to respond to God this week?

Share prayer requests (either as a group, or as partners/smaller groups)

## VALUE SPOTLIGHT:

TRUTH | That which communicates the Reality of God.

We are called to pass God's truth from generation to generation, that those who hear and obey may fear the Lord.



# PASSING THE BATON

## SERIES OVERVIEW:

We're not meant to keep the Gospel to ourselves. We're called to pass it on. Advancing the mission of God requires passing the truth, goodness, and beauty of Christianity to the next generation. But how do we live that out? Join us for our series, Passing the Baton, as we learn about discipleship and discuss how to carry the Gospel forward through the lens of Deuteronomy 6.

**MAY 17**

Deuteronomy 6:1-3

**Big Idea:** The Fear of God, Leads to the Favor of God.

**Key Question:** How is the fear of God transferred to the next generation?

- See the seriousness of God's command. (v. 1)
- See the blessing of God's command. (v. 2)
- See the calling of God's command. (v. 3)

**MAY 24**

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

**Big Idea:** Wholehearted love for God sustains generational faithfulness.

**Key Question:** What kind of love must shape the next generation?

- Declare God's unique identity. (v. 4)
- Dedicate your whole being to him. (v. 5)

**MAY 31**

Deuteronomy 6:6-9

**Big Idea:** God's word shapes us before we share it.

**Key Question:** How does God's word move from our hearts to others?

- Cherish the word internally. (v. 6)
- Cultivate rhythms of the Word personally. (v. 7)
- Communicate the word publicly. (vv. 8)

**JUNE 7**

Deuteronomy 6:10-12

**Big Idea:** Fulfilled promises must not lead to forgotten faithfulness.

**Key Question:** How do we guard against forgetting God's faithfulness?

- Recognize God's provision. (vv. 10-11)
- Recall the Lord's redemption. (v. 12)

**JUNE 14**

Deuteronomy 6:13-19

**Big Idea:** Loyalty to the Lord guards every generation.

**Key Question:** What does it mean to be loyal to the Lord?

- Fear the Lord above all. (v. 13-14)
- Follow the Lord in all things. (vv. 16-19)

**JUNE 21**

Deuteronomy 6:20-25

**Big Idea:** God's people pass on the story of his salvation

**Key Question:** How do spiritual parents pass on the story of God's salvation?

- Anticipate your children's questions. (v. 20)
- Share God's redemptive work. (vv. 21-23)
- Connect obedience to their good. (vv. 24-25)