The Path of Discipleship Text: Deuteronomy 6:4-9 May 13, 2023

Big Idea: God must be our priority, so we must commit to discipleship.

Question #1 (Context)

- Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?
- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

Question #2 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What does the text says about God and about me?

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
- c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- d) How does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

Question #3 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What are the principles, commands or promises given? a) What is the overall theme of the text?

b) Does the passage include any promise from God? If so, what?

Question #4 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What is the application? a) What is one specific way I can live by these truths, or trust in these promises today? b) What is the next step that I need to take too see this happen?

Question#5

"Children's discipleship is a community effort."

- a) What does this truth mean for every Christian?
- b) Parents are the primary discipler's of their kids, but why has God given the Church a major role in it?
- c) What are some reasons we often have for not taking this call seriously, intentionally and fervently?
- d) Find and share Scripture verses that emphasize the value and love God has for children.

Question #6

Spend time discussing and praying how your small group can bless the children and families of Hope Ottawa with a tangible act of love and discipleship towards them. Email <u>llau@hopeottawa.ca</u> with your ideas and to get feedback & support on it.

Prayer Application

Spend time as a group/in accountability in prayer...

- a) ADORATION: Lord, there is none like You, because only You are/can_____
- b) <u>CONFESSION</u> before God: Confess & repent where you: **i**) Have a greater love for other things over the Lord **ii**) Where you have not been intentional in discipling His children.
- c) <u>THANKSGIVING</u> to God: Thank Jesus for the next generation He has entrusted to us; \otimes how the gospel equips us to love Him more and the children/youth He has given us.
- d) <u>SUPPLICATION</u> to God: Ask Jesus: i) For an increasing love for Him above all ii) For our Church to diligently disciple the children/youth He's given us iii) For families to be consistently intentional with discipleship in the home iv) To save & sanctify children/youth through the gospel.

Memory Verse:

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."-Acts 1:8