

All for One, One for All and All for Him
Love with Your All

*⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. ⁷ Impress 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. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. **Deuteronomy 6:4-18***

As you read the scripture above, what word pops out? Well, for me, it was the word all. Even though I know in my mind what it means I decided to look it up anyway. Below is what www.dictionary.com says:

1. Being or representing the entire or total number, amount, or quantity.
2. Constituting, being, or representing the total extent or the whole.
3. Being the utmost possible of.

Think about the meanings. Strong words. Entire. Utmost Possible. Total Extent. Whole. So what did we learn? Simply put, we are to love God with everything we have. Not just a part of us, but all of us. This is the greatest commandment to love God with all. All. Not just when it is convenient, not just when we need Him, not just when we want to, but all the time with all we have. This is not easy is it? Soooo....

The next portion of the verse tells us how we can help ourselves with this love. It says to write it not only on our hearts and mind, tell our children, write it on the doors, our fence, tie it on our bodies. Even our own foreheads, but why do we need to go through this trouble?

Memory. Short term memory. We are quick to forget God when things get tough. We are quick to forget God even when things get good. We need reminders. We need help in keeping our focus upon Him. So do it. Write it down. Put a rock in your pocket that reminds you. Anything, that will help you to remember this commandment. It is the greatest one and by memorizing it and meditating on it daily, I promise, it will change your life.