

***#MVCNlife***

**Pastor Bill Bowers | September 23, 2018**

***All My Heart***

**Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4-8 (NLT)**

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**NOTES:**

## HOMEGROUP & PERSONAL STUDY QUESTIONS

**Scripture:** Deuteronomy 6:4-8 (Mark 12:28-34)

1. When you consider the number one instruction from God, “To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, (mind,) and strength” (Deuteronomy 6:4-8, Mark 12:28-34), How does the command make you feel? What does the command mean to you? How well do you obey the command?
2. Pastor Bill spoke to us about “idols” in our teaching. He described them as anything that can be placed as a priority over God in our lives. Have you or do you ever put anyone or anything in higher priority or authority in your life before God? (Consider your hopes/dreams, work, hobbies, relationships, etc.)
3. We heard the ancient Hebrew people would make visible marks to remind them of the presence of God (marks over doorposts, wearing reminders on their wrists, heads, clothing, etc.). Pastor Bill asked the question; “What marks your life?” Can you describe what visibly denotes the presence of God in your life? Please provide specific examples.
4. Our teaching provided examples of how weak commitment or fickleness in our devotion to God is strongly discouraged in Scripture (1 Kings 18:21, Matthew 6:24, Rev. 3:1-17). Reflect on your own relationship with Jesus. How would you describe your stages of devotion and obedient surrender? Do any of the Scripture texts referenced apply to your life? Explain your answer.
5. Our mission statement at Mountain View Church is most concisely described as wanting to KNOW God (and make Him known to others), GROW to full maturity in God ourselves (and help others to grow the same in their lives), and SHOW God to the world as evidenced by our fruit (the evidence of love, works, deeds, and acts of service and surrender). In what ways can you respond where God is calling you to grow in any of these areas? What will be your specific next steps? To whom will you be accountable