

in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

19 Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them.

20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. 21 Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

—Colossians 3:16-21 ESV

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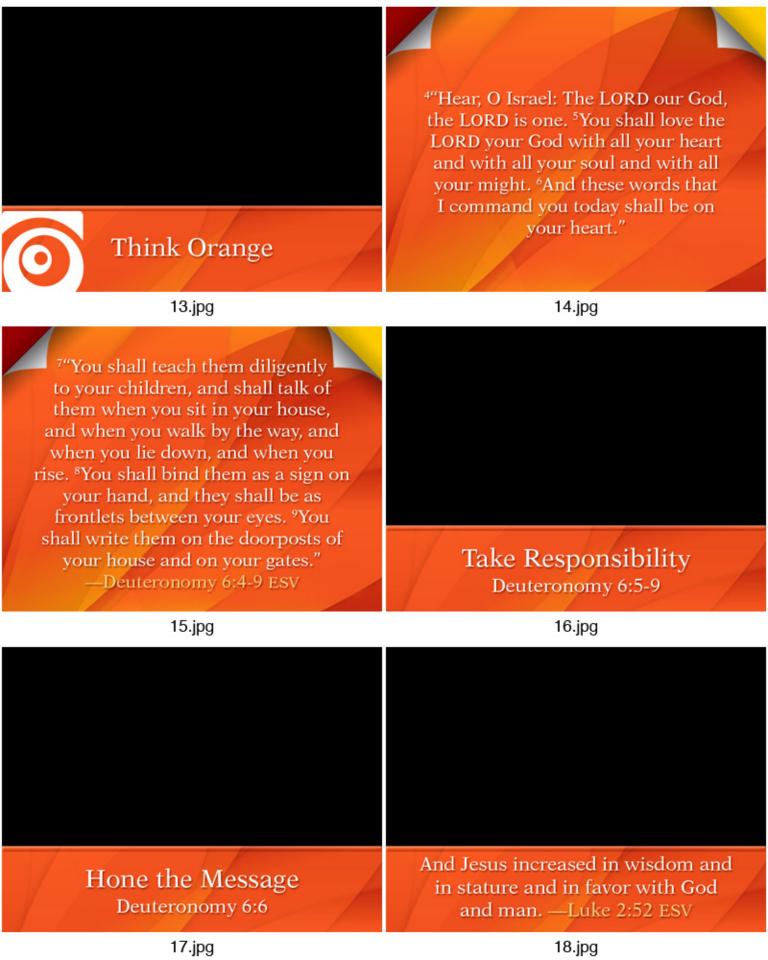
"Family is the core of civilization and a primary influence on the human condition. Family has shaped the fabric of the social, religious and political structures of every civilization. The heart of the family affects the direction of every child and the future of every nation."

"For centuries, kings and queens, presidents and senates, pastors and priests have attempted to address and resolve issues concerning families, because every wise leader knows that whatever happens in the family makes an impression on the world." —Reggie Joiner

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- There are two powerful influences on the planet—the church and the home.
- They both exist because God initiates them.
- They both exist because God desires to use them to demonstrate His plan of redemption and restoration.
- If they work together, they can potentially make a greater impact than if they work alone.
- They need each other.
- Too much is at stake for either one to fail.
- Their primary task is to build God's kingdom in the hearts of men and women, sons and daughters.

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Integrate Our Efforts Deuteronomy 6:7

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4"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one...¹⁰And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—with great and good cities that you did not build, ¹¹and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that

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you did not plant—"

...and when you eat and are full,

12then take care lest you forget the
LORD, who brought you out of the
land of Egypt, out of the house of
slavery. 13It is the LORD your God you
shall fear. Him you shall serve and
by his name you shall swear.

—Deuteronomy 6:4, 10-13 ESV

Keep Praying Forward
Deuteronomy 6:24

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Take Responsibility
Hone the Message
Integrate Our Efforts
Nurture Together
Keep Praying Forward

"You may not be able to do anything about your ancestors, but you can do a lot about your descendants." —Abraham Lincoln

⁴We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell the next generation about the glorious deeds of the Lord, about his power and his mighty wonders. ⁵For he issued his laws to Jacob; he gave his instructions to Israel.

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...that he might preserve us alive, as we are this day. —Deuteronomy 6:24 ESV

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He commanded our ancestors to teach them to their children, 'so the next generation might know them— even the children not yet born—and they in turn will teach their own children. 'So each generation should set its hope anew on God, not forgetting his glorious miracles and obeying his commands. —Psalm 78:4-7 NLT

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