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We Can Serve Families
by Sup·port·ing ...Them, As The Church

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week (but save your prayer requests for the END of Pr'me)?
[Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Reminder (required)

Read this section to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:

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- This Week's Object Lesson:

wearing medical/sport braces to support joints

- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. 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. (v. 6-7, NIV)

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- Have you ever had to wear a medical/sports brace? Why?
- Let's look through the progression by reading **Deuteronomy 6:4-9**:
 - What 2 things are the foundation of Moses' instruction in v. 4?
 - What are the 3 parts of the command in v. 5? Why these 3 things?
 - What 2 things is Israel supposed to do with this command in v. 6-7a?
 - What reminders of this command does Moses suggest in v. 7b-9?
- **Read Mark 12:29-31**. While this command was given originally to Israel, Jesus reinforced it for His followers. What 2 things are expected of one generation for the next in **Deut. 6:6-7a**? What are some modern ways that *we* can apply *each* reminder in **Deut. 6:7b-9**?
- In **John 13:34**, Jesus redefines this command even further. What is the expectation of Christ-followers? What is the example of this love?
- Finally, Paul reactivates this command with a practical application. **Read 1 Corinthians 12:12,25-26**. How can we apply this command?
- Now let's take this full-circle: if it is a parent's responsibility to teach their children to love God with everything, make a list of ways that we, as the church, can support them in doing this?
- Many times the church unintentionally does this for parents (or *takes* it from parents). How is supporting them different?

The Reinforcement (optional)

Use these questions for further discussion during your group, or at home

While the overall intention of **Mark 12:29-30** is that we love God with *everything* that we are, take some time to consider how we can love God specifically in these four areas:

- **Heart** (12:30a) -How can I love God despite how I *feel*?
- **Soul** (12:30b) -How can I love God by trusting Him for eternity?
- **Mind** (12:30c) -How can I love God with what I think about?
- **Strength** (12:30d) -How can I love God even when I want to quit?