## Family Circus 1. Parenting on Purpose July 14-20, 2024

## **Connect** with God and each other. (1/3 of meeting)

- Icebreaker. What is a memorable experience you had on the first day of a new job?
- If you served or participated in KidzXP, tell us how you saw God at work.
- Follow up: Were you able to share your faith or plant seeds this past week?
- Worship by singing together. Suggested song: <u>Firm Foundation</u> by Cody Carnes.

**Context for Discussion:** <u>Verses 6:4-5 in Deuteronomy</u> are called "The Shema," and it is the heart of the Jewish faith, as familiar as the Lord's Prayer is to followers of Christ.

**Discover** what God is saying to you. (1/3 of meeting)

## Read Deuteronomy 6:1-9

- What does it mean to love the Lord with all your heart, soul, and strength?
- What do you think it means to "fear the Lord?"
- This passage encourages us to "show and tell" our faith to the next generation. What is one area of your faith that you've felt God prompting you to grow?
- Share examples of ways you teach your children about God or how your parents taught you to follow God.

**Go** do it! ( $\frac{1}{3}$  of meeting)

- How can you apply these approaches to invest in someone younger than you?
  - Pray for God to reveal at least two names to you.
  - Pray for opportunities to share Jesus with them.
- Pray for parents to be empowered to model Jesus to their children daily.
  - Pray for the children to be receptive with open teachable hearts.
  - Pray for God to do a mighty work in the hearts and minds of our youth.