

# The Main Thing

An old phrase says it well: "The leader's job is to keep the main thing, the main thing." Moses attempts this in Deuteronomy 6 by reminding the Israelites that their existence revolves around loving God. He also tells family leaders how to transfer truth to their children.

Author Reggie Joiner of North Point Ministries in Georgia notes the principles Moses developed, and they are instructive to us in Life Care, Century Park and Life Care at Home today:

1. Relationship comes before rules.
2. Truth must be in you before it can be in them.
3. Each day offers natural opportunities for teaching.
4. Repetition is the teacher's best friend.

Make use of all of these opportunities. Decide on issues you can discuss and ask questions of each other.

That will help sharpen your focus on the main thing.

*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. Deuteronomy 6:5-7*

--Beecher Hunter