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Theme: Keeping God's Word.

Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Text: Deut. 6: 6-7.

Proposition: To do God's will one must energetically keep in mind His teachings and commandments.

Dates and places preached:

31 Aug 52, cp Rucker, Ala.
Stockade Hosp.

Camp Rucker, Ala, 11 Jan 53
Chapel 6

21 MAR 54, Cloverdale, Dothan, Ala.

12 Aug 54, Grace, Cheyenne, Wyo 8:15-11

KWYO Radio, Sheridan, Wyo.
10.15-10.30 a.m., July 17, 1952

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Introduction:

1. Swimming instruction for children. Some already swim crudely and don't apply selves to instruction. Don't learn good swimming because don't keep principles of good swimming in mind. Same idea might apply to golf, or other sports.

2. Scripture is part of passage giving Moses' summary of his work. In Scrip. is something of same idea that applies to becoming proficient in sports, except applies here to doing what God commands. The thought is that to do God's will one must energetically keep in mind His teachings and commandments.

B. Idea developed in certain definite steps in Scrip, which are as pertinent now as ever.



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I. Keep the teachings and
commands of God in your heart.
(v.6)

1. Mary kept the words of the 12-year-old Jesus in her heart, thinking of them, speaking of them, always cherishing them. They were of importance to her. The memory probably helped her do better her job as a mother and religious teacher.

2. An old minister could quote accurately any desired Biblical passage from memory. He used this gift to help in pastoral visiting and in own life.

3. Laughons, and their desire for Scrip. and prayer. Lives the fruit of such thought.

II. "Teach them diligently to thy children," or pass God's teachings on to others as something important and precious.

v. 7a.

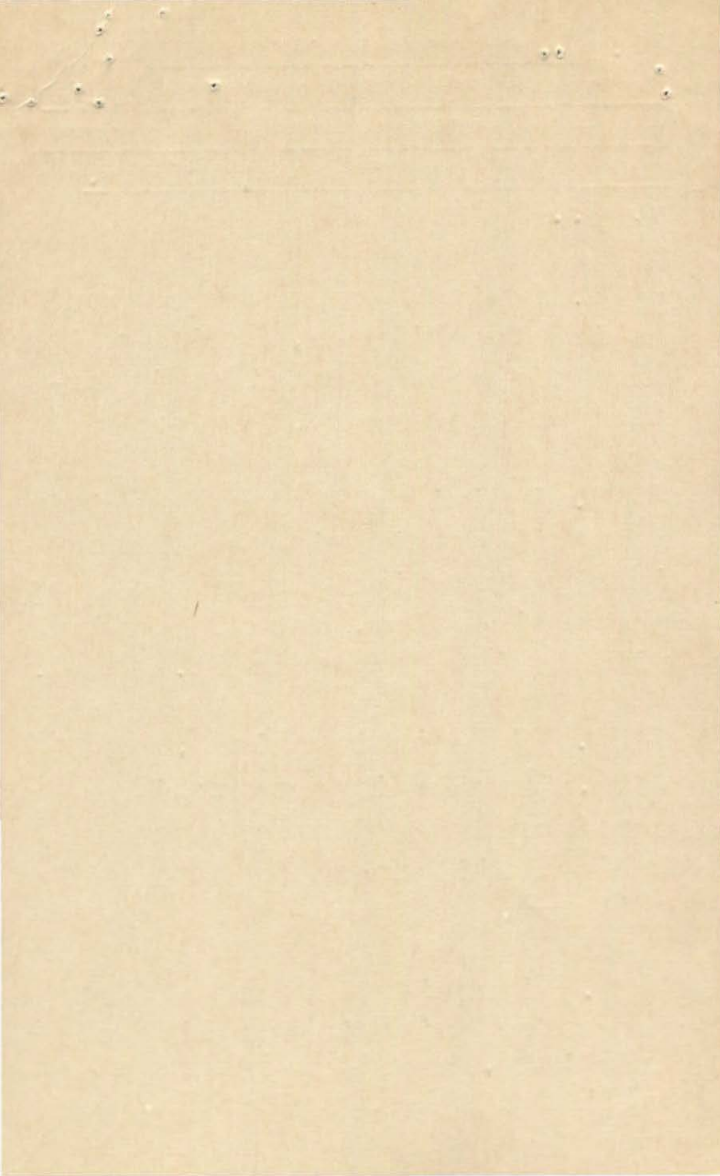
1. Loving parents teach good habits to children, habits which they themselves consider important and necessary.

or, Peterson & pictures

2. Individual may be sensitive about it but if given a chance is always anxious to tell others about his hobby, because he is vitally interested in it. (Ex).

3. If God's teachings, or word, thought important; if considered a guide for necessary habits, will teach them to children.

4. Sincerity in such effort makes for doing in own life of teachings, as with fisherman telling of place or tackle.



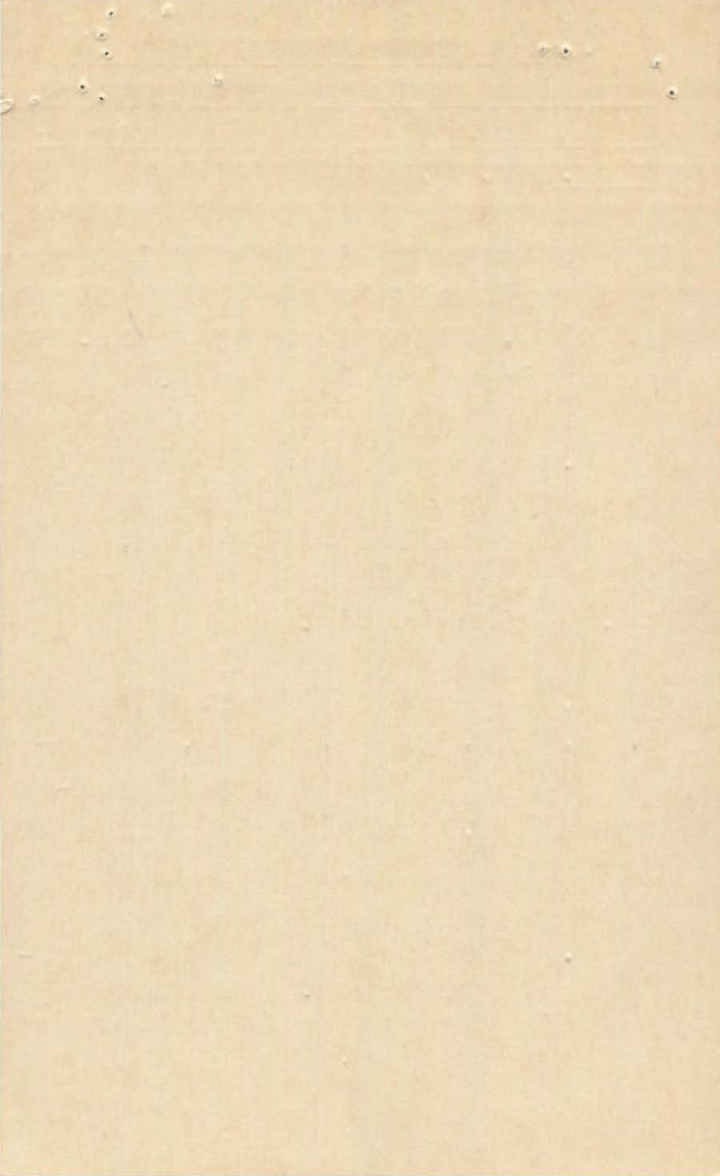
III. Show enthusiasm for God's teachings and commands by keeping them foremost in your conversation. v.7b.

1. A young man deeply in love and newly engaged telling all of girl, wedding plans, etc.. Enthusiasm in his speech.

2. A person with "call to preach" (Embers, Miller?) who feels so called will do so, and will let others know he wants to. Enthusiastic.

3. I lesser things, like home, car, state, house, enthusiasm for things shows in conversation. Usually ends in some sort of actions.

4. Likewise with God's teachings and commands. Enthusiasm for His word keeps it in forefront of conversation.



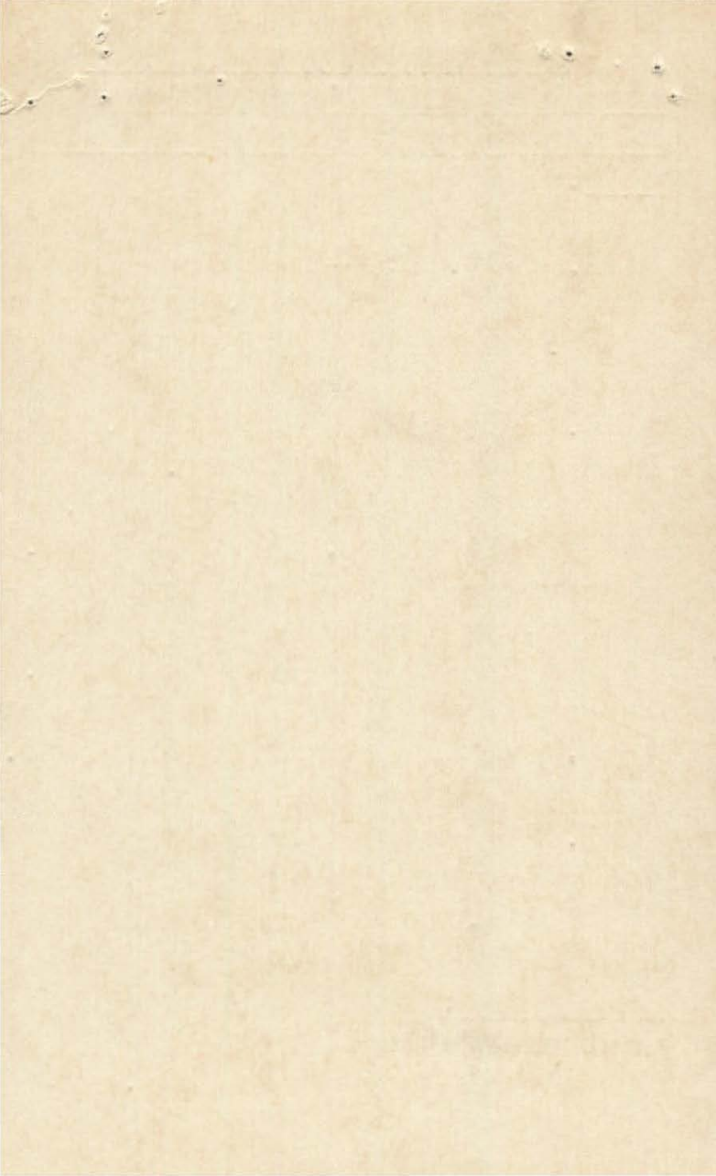
IV. This focusing of frequent attention on God's teachings is necessary if one is to do His will.

1. Deut. 6:1--God's commands not just for thinking, but for doing.

2. Balzac's "Old Goriot". In heart loved daughters. Told one who wouldn't ridicule him, who was like son, of great love. Wherever talked above bare essential always talked about daughters and his love for them. As result he did all possible for them, even helping them in wrong.

3. It is true that attention to God's word is necessary, requisite, to doing it.

Conclusion: To do God's will one ~~must~~ energetically keep in mind His teachings and commands.



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This is possible by: summary
of 4 main points.

