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HOME DISCUSSION GUIDE
for Elementary

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Lesson 5

All My Love

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.”

Deuteronomy 6:5

Some days, parenting feels like forever! But the truth is, our kids are in our homes for a relatively short amount of time. While they are with us, we are preparing to launch them into lives and homes of their own where they will continue to love God and love others. When we love God, we carry out His commands (1 John 5:3). So many of Jesus’ words are about loving God and loving other people. Look for the moments throughout the day to commend your kids for their expressions of love for God and others: **I can see that you love God when you...help me make supper... clean your room gladly...hold your little brother’s hand in the parking lot...share your cookies...talk to God...give your money at church. You are showing you love God with your whole life!** And the more times I honestly build up my kids by noticing and speaking affirming them (see Ephesians 4!), I see more God-loving behavior. Success builds more success!

Try This:

When we’re at home or in the car, we play worship music—old hymns, scripture memory songs, contemporary songs, VBS songs—an eclectic mix gives everyone something to love! I sing along and encourage my kids to sing, too. Music makes ideas stick! As they learn the words, I often hear them singing the songs even when the music isn’t playing. What a joy! I tell them, **God loves to hear you worship Him for who He is and what He has done. You’re showing you love Him with everything you’ve got!**