JESUS

and the

SHEMa

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DEUTERONOMY 6:4-5

LISTEN, O ISRAEL!

THE LORD IS OUR GOD, THE LORD ALONE.

AND YOU MUST LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD

WITH ALL YOUR HEART,

ALL YOUR SOUL,

and ALL YOUR STRENGTH.

This passage of scripture is the beginning of what is known as the **SHEMa.**

It is a passage God's people have memorized for generations.

Let's break it down...



SHEMa = Listen

This Hebrew word for listen could also be translated as

ATTENTION!

It describes active listening... ... to something important.



LORD

Have you ever noticed that the word "Lord" appears two different ways in the Bible?

Lord = Master

LORD = YahWEH

used to address anyone important

the unique name of God

AND YOU MUST AHAVAH THE LORD YOUR GOD

AHAVAH = LOVE



AHAVAH IS AN ACTION...
It IS SOMETHING WE DO.



AHAVAH BEGINS WITH GOD...
HE LOVES US SO WE Can LOVE.