

Up From Slavery

A man / A people / A plan

THE POWER OF PATTERNS
EXODUS 13:8-10 & 14-16

Exodus 13:8–10

⁸ On that day tell your son, ‘I do this because of what the LORD did for me when I came out of Egypt.’ ⁹ This observance will be for you like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead that the law of the LORD is to be on your lips. For the LORD brought you out of Egypt with his mighty hand. ¹⁰ You must keep this ordinance at the appointed time year after year.

Exodus 13:14-16

¹⁴ “In days to come, when your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ say to him, ‘With a mighty hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ¹⁵ When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the LORD killed every firstborn in Egypt, both man and animal. This is why I sacrifice to the LORD the first male offspring of every womb and redeem each of my firstborn sons.’ ¹⁶ And it will be like a sign on your hand and a symbol on your forehead that the LORD brought us out of Egypt with his mighty hand.”

5 IMPORTANT PRINCIPLES

1. What comes before why

The need for that in your life which coherently points to your dedication to Christ

“As for me and my house we will serve the Lord.”

Joshua 24:15b

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1. What comes before why
2. Why needs to be clear and succinct

Answer honestly

Answer according to need

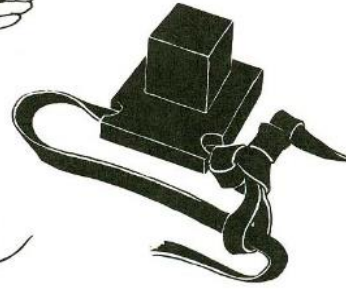


Front View



Back View

Correct Tefillin Position on Hand



Hand Tefillin

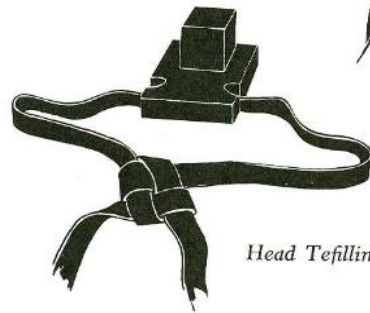


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Side View

Correct Tefillin Position on Head



Head Tefillin

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1. What comes before why
2. Why needs to be clear and succinct
3. Actions need to square with words

Perfection isn't possible

Consistency is possible

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4. The mind is vitally important

What & why you believe what you do

¹¹ I have hidden your word in my heart
that I might not sin against you.

Psalm 119:11

¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching,
rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that
the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good
work.

2 Timothy 3:16–17

¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a
workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly
handles the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15

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1. What comes before why
2. Why needs to be clear and succinct
3. Actions need to square with words
4. The mind is vitally important
5. What is articulated and modeled is believable

Deuteronomy 6:4–12

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

¹⁰ When the LORD your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you—a land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, ¹¹ houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves you did not plant—then when you eat and are satisfied, ¹² be careful that you do not forget the LORD, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

To Go . . .

- What are your aspirations for your children or grandchildren?
- What characteristics will necessary in the lives if they are to fulfill those aspirations?
- Are you modeling the type of life that you want them to lead?