

MAKE YOUR OWN SHEMA SCROLL!

One of the awesome tools in our Bible toolbox is a prayer called The Shema. Shema is the Hebrew word for “hear” and it is the first word of the prayer. This prayer is important for both Christian and Jewish people and has been spoken by God’s followers since before Jesus was born!

To make your own Shema Scroll, you’ll need:

- Two straws or wooden dowels
- Scotch Tape
- A piece of paper
- A piece of yarn (about 6" long)
- A pen or marker

1. Take the piece of paper and make it look like authentic papyrus paper used in Bible times by carefully tearing off about a quarter inch off of all the edges of the paper.
2. Carefully crumple up the paper tightly and then unfold it again, smoothing it out as best you can.
3. Copy one (or both) of the Shema verses (below) onto the paper.
4. Tape each end of the paper to a straw/wooden dowel and roll each end inward.
5. Tie the scroll together with a piece of yarn.

Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

The first is, “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one; you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.” The second is this, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

Mark 12:29-31