



Sermon Discussion Questions

Pursuing the Good Life: A Life of Flourishing and Wholeness (Deut 6:1-15)

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Rhythms of Renewal

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Sermon Overview

Main Idea

Each January, we pause from our regular study for a sermon series on what we refer to as "Rhythms of Renewal." These are teachings focused on spiritual habits and disciplines for experiencing renewal in God's Word. In this text, we focus on a life of obeying, loving, and trusting God in every moment of life.

In the book of Deuteronomy, Moses is approaching the end of his life and delivering his final sermons to the people of Israel. He was a great prophet appointed by God to deliver His people out of Egypt from slavery to a promised land which they are about to enter. He was also given the task of delivering God's Law or Word to the people of Israel. In this section of Deuteronomy chapter 6, Moses is instructing the people how to live to experience the favor of God. A life of flourishing and wholeness.

Sermon Outline

1. A Call to Obey God's Law (v1-3)
2. We Fear and Obey God Out of Love for Him (v4-9)
3. We Trust God Because He is Our Savior (v10-15)

Discussion Questions

Initial Engagement

- What is the main idea of the text, or what did the sermon focus on?
- What insight from the text or sermon stood out to you most? Why?



Sermon Discussion Questions

Deeper Reflection

1. In verse 2 Moses reminds the Israelites to fear God and live according to His rules and statutes. What does it mean to fear God? What promises are given in these first 3 verses for living a life of reverent fear of God and living according to His statutes? Isn't this the prosperity Gospel, where God promises all a long life devoid of problems, trials, and heartache if we simply follow these commands? If not, how are we to think of these promises and do they apply to us?
2. Look for examples in the New Testament where there are promises of suffering if we are followers of the Lord Jesus. How do we square those New Testament promises with the promises seen in v2-3?
3. Moses reminds the Israelites in v5 to "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might". And Jesus reinforced the importance of this command in Matthew 22, referring to it as the "great and first commandment". What does it mean to you to love God with all your heart, soul, and strength? How do we express or demonstrate love to God? What role does obedience play? Discuss how our obedience to God is ultimately for His glory, our good, and exemplifies our love for Him.
4. How are you doing with the command in v7 to teach God's ways to your children? Are there ways you need to be more intentional? More opportunistic? How might hiding God's word in your heart (daily in the word, memorizing scripture) give you more opportunity to speak life into your children and those around you?
5. In the last section of text (v10-15), Moses is reminding the people that God will give them the promised land of Canaan. How do these verses apply to us today? Are there ways in which we can be currently living that show we aren't "taking care, lest you forget the Lord"? How might ungratefulness and discontentedness relate to this? Are there ways in which you might be going after other gods (e.g. money/comfort/social standing)?

Final Response

- What is one thing you want to remember or one way you hope to change in light of this sermon or discussion?