

**Because YOU.....**

Deut. 7:12 Then it shall come to pass, because you listen to these judgments and keep and do them, that the LORD your God will keep with you the covenant and the mercy with which He swore to your fathers.

1. What is our part in verse 7:12?
  2. What is the most difficult about everything that follows the word "because"?
  3. What is God's part in this covenant?
  4. What do you find most amazing and glorious about God's part?
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**The Blessings of Obedience**

1. In verses 13-15 find all the blessings of the LORD when His people obey.
2. List the blessings in order of importance to you! Discuss why you chose that order.

Deut. 7:13-15 And He will love you and bless you and multiply you; He will also bless the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your land, your grain and your new wine and your oil, the increase of your cattle and the offspring of your flock, in the land of which He swore to your fathers to give you. 14) You shall be blessed above all peoples; there shall not be a male or female barren among you or among your livestock. 15) And the LORD will take away from you all sickness, and will afflict you with none of the terrible diseases of Egypt which you have known, but will lay them on all those who hate you.

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### My Life a Sacrifice

Romans 12:1,2 I beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable to God which is your reasonable service. 2) And do not be conformed to the world, but be Transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

1. In what ways can we be a living sacrifice?
  2. What was the purpose of sacrifices?
  4. What kind of changes would be required in our lives to live this way?
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### The Commandment

Proverbs 6:23 For the commandment is a lamp. And the law a light; reproofs of instruction are the way of life.

Proverbs 13:13,14 He who despises the word will be destroyed, but he who fears the commandment will be rewarded. 14) The law of the wise is a fountain of life, to turn one away from the snares of death.

1. From the verses in Proverbs, find and discuss what the commandment does.
2. What happens when the law is not honored? (Proverbs 13:14)

Mark7:7-9 This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me. Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men. 8) For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men - the washing of pitchers and cups, and many other such things you do. 9) He said to them, All to well you reject the commandment of God that you may keep your tradition.

3. In Mark 7:7-9 what is the Lord pointing out that we need to be careful to avoid?
  4. Read the underlined words in the above verses. How does this happen today?
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## Worship

Colossians 3:23 AMP -Whatever you do (whatever your task may be) work from the soul (that is, put in your very best effort), as (something done) for the Lord and not for men.

Colossians 3:23,24 NKJ And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men. 24) knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance, for you serve the Lord Christ.

Exodus 9:1 (NIV) Let My people go so that they may worship (avodah) Me.

Exodus 9:1 (ESV) Let My people go, that they may serve (avodah) Me.

Ephesians 2:10 For we are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared before hand that we should walk in them.

John 4:23, 24 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24) God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.

Gen. 22:5 And Abraham said to his young men, Stay here with the donkey; the lad and I will go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you.

Joshua 24:15 But as for me and my household, we will serve (avodah) the Lord.

1. Find other aspects of worshipping God from the following verses:

John 9:31 Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him.

Deut. 11:16 Take heed to your selves, that your heart be not deceived, and he turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them.

2. How is it possible to serve other gods?

Luke 4:8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve.

