

Godly Instructions for Our Well Being

Deuteronomy 6

The importance of these instructions.

Deuteronomy 6

The Greatest Commandment

¹ “Now this *is* the commandment, *and these are* the statutes and judgments which the LORD your God has commanded to teach you, that you may observe *them* in the land which you are crossing over to possess,

v.1 They are God given.

Deuteronomy 6:2-3

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² that you may fear the LORD your God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, you and your son and your grandson, all the days of your life, and that your days may be prolonged. ³ Therefore hear, O Israel, and be careful to observe *it*, that it may be well with you, and that you may multiply greatly as the LORD God of your fathers has promised you—‘a land flowing with milk and honey.’^[a]

V. 2&3 Designed to insure God’s favor.

a. Your days may be prolonged

b. It may be well with you

c. That you may increase mightily

I. Love Him v. 4-5

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

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⁴ “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD *is* one!^[a] ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

a. As the one and only God

Repeated by Jesus in Matthew 22:36-40

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³⁶ “Teacher, which *is* the great commandment in the law?”

³⁷ Jesus said to him, “ *You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.* ^[a] ³⁸ This is *the* first and great commandment. ³⁹ And *the* second *is* like it: *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.* ^[b] ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

b. Passionately

Chorus: I Love You Lord

I love you Lord and I lift my voice

To worship you. O my soul rejoice.

Take joy my King in what you hear

May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ears.

1 John 4:9-10

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⁹ In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

II. Declare Him v. 6-9

Deuteronomy 6:6-9

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⁶ “And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. ⁸ You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ⁹ You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Eli, Samuel, David, Solomon failed in this area.

Evangelism/ministry begins at home.

The description of a spiritual leader

1 Timothy 3:4

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⁴ one who rules his own house well, having *his* children in submission with all reverence

Do you have visions of your children becoming pastors, missionaries, etc?

It is imperative that our children grow into adulthood with a Biblical World View.

They must understand they have a Divine destiny.

The Robinson brothers.

Jeffery and Jeff.

There is a place of service for our youth in the kingdom of God.

Being a servant of God is the greatest spiritual gift one can have.

Anyone and everyone must serve.

Keep His words in our heart.

Fill our households with the knowledge of God.

III. Remember Him v. 10-12

Deuteronomy 6:10-12

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Caution Against Disobedience

¹⁰ “So it shall be, when the LORD your God brings you into the land of which He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give you large and beautiful cities which you did not build, ¹¹ houses full of all good things, which you did not fill, hewn-out wells which you did not dig, vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant—when you have eaten and are full— ¹² *then* beware, lest you forget the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

When the blessings come don't forget God.

Isaiah 51:1

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Isaiah 51

The LORD Comforts Zion

¹ “Listen to Me, you who follow after righteousness,
You who seek the LORD:
Look to the rock *from which* you were hewn,
And to the hole of the pit *from which* you were dug.

When the cupboards are full, the checkbook balances, there is
a nice roof over your head, a nice car to drive, clothes to wear.
Remember Him.

Deuteronomy 8:18

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¹⁸ “And you shall remember the LORD your God, for *it is* He who gives you power to get
wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as *it is* this day.

Ezekiel 16:49

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⁴⁹ Look, this was the iniquity of your sister Sodom: She and her daughter had pride, fullness of
food, and abundance of idleness; neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.

IV. Serve Him v.13-25

Deuteronomy 6:13-25

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¹³ You shall fear the LORD your God and serve Him, and shall take oaths in His name. ¹⁴ You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who *are* all around you ¹⁵ (for the LORD your God *is* a jealous God among you), lest the anger of the LORD your God be aroused against you and destroy you from the face of the earth.

¹⁶ “You shall not tempt the LORD your God as you tempted *Him* in Massah. ¹⁷ You shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, His testimonies, and His statutes which He has commanded you. ¹⁸ And you shall do *what is* right and good in the sight of the LORD, that it may be well with you, and that you may go in and possess the good land of which the LORD swore to your fathers, ¹⁹ to cast out all your enemies from before you, as the LORD has spoken.

²⁰ “When your son asks you in time to come, saying, ‘What *is the meaning of* the testimonies, the statutes, and the judgments which the LORD our God has commanded you?’ ²¹ then you shall say to your son: ‘We were slaves of Pharaoh in Egypt, and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand; ²² and the LORD showed signs and wonders before our eyes, great and severe, against Egypt, Pharaoh, and all his household. ²³ Then He brought us out from there, that He might bring us in, to give us the land of which He swore to our fathers. ²⁴ And the LORD commanded us to observe all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as *it is* this day. ²⁵ Then it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to observe all these commandments before the LORD our God, as He has commanded us.’

a. Exclusively v. 13-16

Deuteronomy 6:13-16

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Sandy Kofax- L.A. Dodgers

Oaths in His name

Matthew 4:10

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¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you,^[a] Satan! For it is written, ‘*You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.*’”^[b]

He wants us to look to Him alone for strength.

We are to do this willingly.

b. Diligently v. 17-19

Deuteronomy 6:17-19

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Massah-tempted- Exodus 17:7

“ Is the lord among us or not”

Hebrews 11:6

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⁶ But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

c. Perpetually v. 20-25

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²⁰ “When your son asks you in time to come, saying, ‘What *is the meaning of* the testimonies, the statutes, and the judgments which the LORD our God has commanded you?’ ²¹ then you shall say to your son: ‘We were slaves of Pharaoh in Egypt, and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand; ²² and the LORD showed signs and wonders before our eyes, great and severe, against Egypt, Pharaoh, and all his household. ²³ Then He brought us out from there, that He might bring us in, to give us the land of which He swore to our fathers. ²⁴ And the LORD commanded us to observe all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as *it is* this day. ²⁵ Then it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to observe all these commandments before the LORD our God, as He has commanded us.’”

Then it will be righteousness for us “if”. V.25

“For our good always” v.24

They were to share their testimony with their children.

1. We were slaves

2. The Lord bought us out

3. To give us this land

Each generation was instructed to serve the lord.

Exclusively

Diligently

Perpetually

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