



DISCUSSION GUIDE MARCH 14, 2021

Dive In

Go around and let everyone answer...

- We are a people that love to promote our own productivity. We get satisfaction from bragging on our busy lives and schedules. In your day-to-day life how much time are you setting aside to be in the presence of God?

Dig Deep

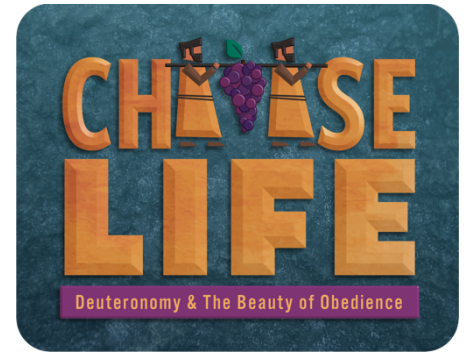
Read Scripture: Deuteronomy 11:16-21

16 Be careful, or you will be enticed to turn away and worship other gods and bow down to them. **17** Then the LORD's anger will burn against you, and he will shut up the heavens so that it will not rain, and the ground will yield no produce, and you will soon perish from the good land the LORD is giving you. **18** Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. **19** Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. **20** Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, **21** so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land the LORD swore to give your ancestors, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.

- What is the best way to guard against deception? (Deut. 11:16-17)
- What are we to do with the words of God? (Deut. 11:18-20)
- What are the results of being obedience? (Deut. 11:21)

Do Big

- How can you actively find ways to embed scripture in your everyday life?
- What is something that you could eliminate or spend less time doing in your schedule to spend more time with God?
- Of the three Spiritual Disciplines that David listed in his video (Meditating on Scripture, Prayer, and Fasting) which one are you most likely to do? Which are you least likely to try? Why?
- At least once this week set an alarm or mark down on your schedule a time to meditate on Scripture, spend time in prayer, or fast from media or food, etc.



LEADERS

Context

Read Deuteronomy 11

Background

The context surrounding our Dig Deep text reveals two benefits to obedience.

1. Obey because God cares for you.
Deuteronomy 10:21-11:7
2. Obey because of God's covenant promises.
Deuteronomy 11:8-25

Challenge

Three Biblical Disciplines that will help open your heart to hear and know God.

1. Meditating on the Word of God – Psalm 119:9-16
2. Prayer – Luke 11:1-13
3. Fasting – Matthew 6:16-18

Weekly Memory Verse

"I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you."

Psalm 119:10-11