## "That You May Live" Deuteronomy 4: 1 - 14 June 6, 2010

• God Has Told Us What Is Necessary To Live In Abundance, (vs. 1 - 14)

<u>Listening To My Word Is Commanded, Not Suggested</u> <u>Amending My Word Is Not Allowed</u> <u>Following My Word Is Something I</u> Take VERY Seriously

- God Says, Acknowledging My Word As The Sovereign Rule Is A Must, (vs. 5)
  - We must accept that what we are taught comes from God Himself, (vs. 5a)
    - God teaches through cognitive understanding, (vs. 5a.1); "INCLINE your ear, and HEAR the words of the wise, and APPLY your heart to my knowledge, for it will be pleasant if you KEEP them within you, if all of them are READY on your lips." (Proverbs 22:17-18)
      - An understanding of the written code; "statutes," (vs. 5a.1.1); "That your trust may be in the Lord, I have MADE them known to you today, even to you. Have I not WRITTEN for you thirty sayings of counsel and knowledge, to make you know what is right and true, that you may give a true answer to those who sent you?" (Proverbs 22:19-21)
      - An understanding of the applied code; "judgments," (vs. 5a.1.2); "Do not rob the poor, because he is poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate, for the Lord will PLEAD their cause and ROB of life those who rob them. Make no friendship with a man given to anger, nor GO with a wrathful man, lest you LEARN his ways and ENTANGLE yourself in a snare." (Proverbs 22:22-25)
    - God teaches through ordained leadership, (vs. 5a.2); "And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And BEHOLD, I am with you always, to the end of the age."" (Matthew 28:18-20)
  - We must accept that what we are taught is the sovereign rule of life, (vs. 5b); "Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God, just as you are doing, that you do so more and more. For you KNOW what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each one of you KNOW how to control his own body in holiness and honor, not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not KNOW God; that no one transgress and wrong his brother in this matter, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we told you beforehand and solemnly warned you. For God has not called us for impurity, but in holiness. Therefore whoever disregards this, disregards not man but God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you." (1 Thessalonians 4:1-8)

- o God Says, Making My Word A Priority Will Be Noticed By Others, (vs. 6)
- o God Says, Accepting My Word Puts You In A Very Special Place, (vs. 7 8)
- o God Says, Hiding My Word In Your Heart Doesn't Mean Hiding It From Your Children, (vs. 9)
- o God Says, Fearing My Word Is The Basis Of Lasting Wisdom, (vs. 10)
- o God Says, Remembering My Word Comes With Real Power Can't Be Overlooked, (vs. 11)
- o God Says, Believing My Word Is Dependent On Who I Am & Not What You Experience, (vs. 12)
- o God Says, Communicating My Word Is Straight Forward & Understandable, (vs. 13)
- o God Says, Following My Word Has To Be Part Of Who You Are, (vs. 14)

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