

FACING A NEW FUTURE

| A STUDY OF
DEUTERONOMY

Hungry for Certainty *Deuteronomy 8*

1. God works through uncertainty to test our obedience to his commands.
2. God works through uncertainty to teach us to prioritize his gift of life.
3. God works through the uncertainty of history to secure our future with him.

MY APPLICATION

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

1. What are you struggling with in this time of the pandemic? How much does uncertainty factor into your struggle? Do you think that most of your life you've had a sense of security? Explain.
2. Read Deuteronomy 8:2-3. How did God use uncertainty to test and teach the Israelites? How would the test help them understand themselves and the teaching to understand God? (Read the whole story, see Exodus 16)
3. Several places in the New Testament pick up these verses and apply them. Look at the Lord's Prayer (Matt 6:11), Jesus' Temptation (Matt 4:4) and Jesus teaching about himself (John 6:48-51). Discuss how you would apply each of these teachings of Jesus to help you in this uncertain time.
4. What are some areas where you could transfer your hope from something uncertain in this world to the promises of Jesus in order to lower your hunger for uncertainty? An example might be, "Jesus you promised to never leave me or forsake me so I will invest more in getting to know you in this season rather than focusing on how much I miss my friends." Try to think of at least three areas that apply to you.

MEMORY VERSE

"...for the Lord your God, who is among you, is a jealous God..."

Deuteronomy 6:15a